

**CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 6/7, 2021**

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Secretary's Note: The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Saturday, February 6, 2021, via Zoom video conference. **President Darrell Newkirk** called the regular meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time. A roll call by **Secretary Rachel Anger** found the following members found to be present (with the exception of **Yukiko Hayata**, who joined the meeting later):

Mr. Darrell Newkirk (President)
Mr. Richard Mastin (Vice President)
Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)
Ms. Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer)
Ms. Sharon Roy (NAR Director)
Mrs. Pam Moser (NWR Director)
Steve McCullough, D.C. (GSR Director)
Mr. John Colilla (GLR Director)
Mr. Howard Webster (SWR Director)
Mrs. Cathy Dunham (MWR Director)
Mr. Kenny Currle (SOR Director)
Ms. Yukiko Hayata (Japan Regional Director)
Ms. Pam DelaBar (Europe Regional Director)
Ms. Cyndy Byrd (Director-at-Large)
George Eigenhauser, Esq. (Director-at-Large)
Mrs. Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)
Ms. Melanie Morgan (Director-at-Large)
Mr. Brian Moser (Director-at-Large)

Also Present:

Shelly K. Perkins, Attorney at Law, CFA Legal Counsel
Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director
James Simbro, IT Systems Analyst
Eva Chen, ID-China Representative
Gavin Cao, China Business Advisor
Matthew Wong, ID Representative

Absent:

None.

(1) APPROVE ORDERS OF THE DAY.

CFA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING AGENDA February 6/7, 2021			
All times are in Eastern Standard Time			
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2021			
11:00 a.m.	1.	Approve Orders of the Day	Newkirk
Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees			
11:05 a.m.	2.	Minutes (corrections/additions); Ratification of January Teleconference Minutes; Ratification of Online Motions	Anger
11:10 a.m.	3.	Central Office Report – <i>Annual Meeting discussion moved to Executive Session</i>	Tartaglia
11:30 a.m.	4.	Board Cite	Perkins
11:40 a.m.	5.	Judging Program Report	Anger
12:00 p.m.	6.	Treasurer's Report	Calhoun
12:05 p.m.	7.	Audit Committee	Calhoun
12:10 p.m.	8.	Diversity and Inclusion Committee	Calhoun
12:15 p.m.	9.	Finance Committee	Mastin
12:20 p.m.	10.	Ambassador Cat Committee	Mastin
12:30 p.m.	11.	CFA International Show	Mastin
12:40 p.m.	12.	IT Report	Simbro
1:00 p.m.		LUNCH	
2:00 p.m.	13.	YFEP Report	Dunham
2:10 p.m.	14.	Companion Cat World Report – <i>Donation discussion moved to Executive Session</i>	Currle
2:20 p.m.	15.	Marketing – <i>Donation discussion moved to Executive Session</i>	Bobby
2:25 p.m.	16.	Mentor-NewBee Report	Krzanowski
2:35 p.m.	17.	Legislative Committee/Group	Eigenhauser
2:45 p.m.	18.	Winn Feline Foundation	Eigenhauser
3:00 p.m.	19.	International Division	Currle
3:15 p.m.		BREAK	
3:30 p.m.	20.	Club Applications	Krzanowski
4:30 p.m.	21.	Show Rules	Krzanowski
5:00 p.m.	22.	Millennial Outreach Committee	Anger
5:30 p.m.		ADJOURN	
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021			
11:00 a.m.	23.	Breeds and Standards	Anger
1:00 p.m.		LUNCH	
2:00 p.m.		Continue Breeds and Standards (if necessary)	
Reports of Special (Select or Ad Hoc) Committees			
3:00 p.m.	24.	Board Members' Guidebook – <i>Moved to Executive Session</i>	DelaBar
3:15 p.m.		BREAK	
3:30 p.m.	25.	Constitution Committee	Byrd
3:50 p.m.	26.	Virtual Cat Competition Committee	Dunham
4:10 p.m.	27.	Cat Writers' Association	Anger
4:15 p.m.	28.	Modernization Steering Committee	
Unfinished Business and General Orders			
4:20 p.m.	29.	Unfinished Business	
4:25 p.m.	30.	Other Committees	

4:30 p.m.	31.	New Business	
		(a) <u>Appoint Genetics Advisory Committee</u>	
4:35 p.m.		ADJOURN OPEN SESSION	Newkirk

Newkirk: Our first order of business is to approve the Orders of the Day. I have one thing to add under New Business, and that is the appointment of a Genetics Advisory Committee. Pam DelaBar, I think you have something you wanted added to the agenda.

DelaBar: Yes, I would just like to move the Handbook to Executive Session. After I put everything in I noticed it was proprietary information previously and probably should be discussed under Executive Session. Then, after we get done discussing what's in there, it can be brought out if the board feels it should be so noted as being unclassified, let me put it that way. I have one other. Do you want to vote on these separately? The other one is to discuss all levels of judges and licensing when we are discussing the licensing. That tomorrow is already under Executive Session. **Newkirk:** OK. **DelaBar:** So, basically, I guess it's just the one. **Newkirk:**

Alright. I think that is covered in the closed session stuff. Let me check real quick here. Since it's proprietary information, I'm assuming that it's OK to move that closed session. Is there anybody that objects to moving that item to closed session? **Mastin:** I have a number of items I would like to move to closed session. **Newkirk:** Can we handle Pam's first, and then we will do yours.

Mastin: Absolutely. **Newkirk:** Hearing no objection, the Board Members' Guidebook will be moved to closed session on Sunday.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: OK Rich, you're up. **Mastin:** I have a number of items I would like to move to closed session please, at least for consideration. **Newkirk:** OK. **Mastin:** We'll start with item #3, Central Office Report, that relates to the 2021 Annual Meeting and the recommended motions that are in that report. Then I have two others. I don't know if you want to do these one at a time Darrell? **Newkirk:** Let's do them one at a time. **Eigenhauser:** I'll second, moving that to closed session. **Newkirk:** Alright, thanks. All those in favor raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Currle and McCullough voting no.

Newkirk: Before I call the vote, I have a question, Rich. Does this include the possible cancellation of the annual meeting? **Mastin:** That's the part that I am requesting be moved into closed session. **Newkirk:** So, you don't think the members should hear the board discuss whether we're going to have a meeting or not? **Eigenhauser:** Can I just respond to that? **Newkirk:** Sure. **Eigenhauser:** There are other parties involved in the annual, other than CFA, that will be renegotiating contracts, potentially dealing with legal issues having to do with unwinding, both of which are presumptively closed session. **Newkirk:** Well, that's fine, and that can be discussed in closed session, but whether we cancel it or not I think should be discussed in open session so that the members know what we're doing. **Eigenhauser:** But every party that we've contracted with for anything to do with the annual also gets access to open session, and we can't unring the bell once we put it out into the universe. **Newkirk:** OK. Alright, so the yes votes are – any further discussion? Yes votes are Rich Mastin, Cyndy Byrd, George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Cathy Dunham, Sharon Roy, Melanie Morgan, Kathy Calhoun, Rachel Anger, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Brian Moser, Pam DelaBar. Cyndy, your hand is not up. Alright, so the no votes please raise your hand. Kenny Currle, Steve McCullough.

Cyndy Byrd, I need your vote. **Byrd:** I voted yes. **Newkirk:** I didn't see your hand up on the screen. Rachel, as soon as you tally the votes you can announce that. **Anger:** We're missing a vote for Hayata. **Newkirk:** I don't think she is on yet. **Anger:** OK. We have 14 yes votes, 2 no votes of those in attendance.

Newkirk: OK Rich, next. **Mastin:** The next two are related. It's item 14 – CCW, item 15 – Marketing, anything that relates to or references of donations or proceeds from CCW virtual cat competitions should be moved to Executive Session. **Eigenhauser:** George will second. **Newkirk:** OK George, thank you. Is there any discussion on moving the CCW to closed session? **Mastin:** Darrell, just the discussion on the donation part. I don't care if the rest of it is discussed by the chair or the liaison. **Newkirk:** OK, so only donations. **Mastin:** Correct. The reason why, that's a board decision and we can't make the decision until after we discuss it, so we need to remove that until the board can discuss it. **Newkirk:** OK, so do you want to keep the normal Order of Business for other things in CCW? **Mastin:** Yeah. I don't have any objections to anything else in CCW or Marketing, just the comments in reference to the donations and proceeds. **Currle:** I agree with what Rich is proposing, but I would like the chair to have the opportunity to speak to the entire delegation. **Newkirk:** The chair of the CCW? **Currle:** Yes. **Newkirk:** She will be able to do that in the open session, and she will be included I'm assuming in the closed session. Is that correct, Rich? **Mastin:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK, is there any objection to Rich's motion to move the donation part of the CCW to executive session Sunday afternoon? Did somebody object? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent that item will be moved to closed session.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Mastin: I only have a couple more left, Darrell. **Newkirk:** OK. **Mastin:** If we have available time at the end of today, I will make a motion to review items 25, 26, 27 and 28. This is later this evening or afternoon or morning, depending on where you are located. So, I'm just pre-noticeing everybody, only if there is time at the end of the day. **Newkirk:** OK thank you. That will require a motion to suspend the rules, which requires 2/3 vote. I'm not going to call that motion now, because if we don't have time it would be a moot motion, so at the appropriate time, Rich can make that motion and we'll vote on whether to take up items 25, 26, 27 and 28. **Anger:** If now is the correct time to mention this, I intend to withdraw item #27. We're going to handle that in a different way. **Newkirk:** Thank you. That item then is crossed out as an Order of the Day.

Mastin: Just one last request, Darrell. **Newkirk:** Well let's – we don't need to vote on it because we're not having a motion yet, so yeah. What's the last thing, Rich? **Mastin:** My last request is asking you and the full board if we would consider starting one hour early tomorrow. I don't know if we want to discuss that at the end of today or if we want to discuss it now, only to pre-notice those that are attending this meeting right now. **Newkirk:** Maybe what we ought to do is vote on that at the end of the day. Just everybody be mindful that we may start an hour early tomorrow. **Mastin:** That's all I have, thank you. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. George, did you have an item? **Eigenhauser:** Rich covered everything I was going to discuss. **Calhoun:** I just had a question of the items that are being suggested that we move from Sunday to Saturday, to be discussed later today. Is there anybody that needs to be advised, that would be presenting those

items? **Newkirk:** It's already been taken care of. **Calhoun:** That's been taken care of? OK, thank you.

Newkirk: Rachel Anger, you are recognized. **Anger:** Thank you. Are we done approving the Orders of the Day yet? **Newkirk:** We have to vote to approve them. **Anger:** Perfect. I have something I would like to say as soon as that is completed. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much. I'll recognize you in just one moment. Is there any objections to our amended Orders of the Day? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent we have adopted our agenda as our Orders of the Day.

The Orders of the Day, as amended, were accepted without objection and became the Orders of Business.

Newkirk: Rachel, you are recognized. **Anger:** It would seem appropriate that everyone understands the process of creating the agenda, which is a task I do. There is no mystery or voodoo to it, I don't consult a crystal ball and there is no favoritism whatsoever. Basically, it is a puzzle that I put together, using the input received from committee chairs by the agenda deadline, all the while following Robert's Rules of Order.

So, let's talk about how Robert's Rules affects the agenda. All of the board members have a bit of an understanding about Robert's Rules. In June when we switched to a strict following of Robert's Rules, as the person who constructs the agenda I had to research this to make sure we are doing everything correctly. Now, I would like to share with you what I learned, so that no one jumps to a wrong conclusion.

You will now see that the agenda is constructed in groups. We have bold headings for Reports of Officers, Boards and Standing Committees, then we have Special Committees, then Unfinished Business and General Orders. This is how Robert's Rules of Order wants us to structure our meetings. When President Newkirk appoints a new committee, we identify what category the committee will fall under and that is where it will appear on the agenda – all of which appears in the minutes when this occurs. Within the various categories, I basically begin with the order we have always used. Out of courtesy to committee chairs, I try to group together all of the presentations that each committee chair will make, so that there is a seamless flow to the board meeting – or at least an attempt at having the meeting go smoothly. This is not always possible but I do try. Then, the agenda is disseminated prior to the agenda publication deadline, so if anyone is uncomfortable with their timeslot for any reason, an adjustment can and will happily be made. This offer is the same to every committee chair and every board member.

We start all meetings as we have here today, with the Orders of the Day. This is anyone's opportunity to move an agenda item, just as we have just witnessed. Sometimes an issue will come up between the agenda publication and the board meeting, so there is still a chance to be accommodated now. As for timing, sometimes we are hours behind and sometimes we are hours ahead of the scheduled times for committee meetings. As I said before, I don't have a crystal ball and cannot predict what will come up, but every board member is given an opportunity to speak by our President.

Last, the presenter of each agenda item has traditionally been the board member chair or board member liaison that I have listed. With our Zoom platform, this no longer makes sense. Again, this is something we have always done that way and I would like to begin doing it by putting the name of the person who is actually going to present the report. This came from an era where only board members were allowed to speak at board meetings. We even had a valued employee that attended board meetings who was not allowed to even physically sit at the table. So, we have changed quite a bit, and that is how I would like to do the agenda going forward. If anyone has an issue with that, I would be happy to talk about it.

Frankly, I give it my best guess but it is not science. If someone has a more scientific approach or an idea or method that you think would work better, then let's hear it. It truly is like putting together a puzzle. The desired result is fairness, and a schedule that will accommodate the business of this board, all the while respecting Robert's Rules of Order and New York law. I have no time, energy or desire for anything else. Is everyone OK with this going forward?

Newkirk: Yes. **Anger:** Thank you all. **Newkirk:** Rachel, the only thing that I would add is, once we adopt the Orders of the Day, that to deviate from that needs a motion to suspend the rules to take up something out of order. **Anger:** So, for instance today we have adopted the Orders of the Day. If anything is moved from here on out, it will require a 2/3 vote. I will make sure to include that in the minutes, as well. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. Shelly, do you have anything to add on that? **Perkins:** I do not. Very good. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much.

[Secretary's Note: Orders of the Day. When one or more subjects have been assigned to a particular day or hour (by postponing them to, or making them special orders for, that day or hour, or by adopting a program or order of business), they become the orders of the day for that day or hour, and they cannot be considered before that time, **except by a two-thirds vote. They are divided into General Orders and Special Orders, the latter always taking precedence of the former.]**

Newkirk: OK, so we have approved our Orders of the Day. **P. Moser:** I just have a question. Rachel, you had stated the board liaison or the person that's in charge of that committee. So, my question is, always in the past it was always the board liaison that talked for the person on the committee. **Anger:** Right. **P. Moser:** I understand during Zoom we should accommodate that, but when we go back to having in person, does that mean that you're going to have everybody on those committees that are in charge of those committees attend the board meeting, or will we have the liaison talk for them? **Anger:** That's a great question. I think that's up to the chair to determine, but for the sake of convenience, the reality is, during our Zoom era, the person that's presenting the report should be listed, I think. Frankly, these Zoom meetings are saving CFA so much money that I do hope we continue them, at least partially for the main meetings after we are back together once again. **Newkirk:** Pam, even when we were having live meetings, the chairs of the committees always sat down at the end of the table alongside Allene to present their reports, like the Show Rules report, Mary K gave the Awards Report. Those were committee chairs. I remember Mark was the liaison for Mary, but Mary gave the report. I think we would go back to that same procedure. **P. Moser:** I understand that. We didn't have that many people that weren't on the board that were committee chairs. At this time, we have a lot of people that are not on the board that are committee chairs, so my concern would be that if you're going to adopt that, then that's going to be a large expense to bring in everybody, so that is my concern. **Newkirk:** I don't think we're paying for the committee chairs to come into the board

meetings. **P. Moser:** Oh, you're not? OK, as long as we're not. **Newkirk:** I mean, I don't know. Kathy, can you address that? **Calhoun:** I think that we have been somewhat inconsistent. I would recommend that we establish a consistent protocol, whether we're going to pay for it or we're not going to pay for it, and that if we are going to do that, that it would be budgeted. **Newkirk:** How about you research that and bring back a proposal to the board when we meeting in two months? **Calhoun:** I can do that. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much. Pam, do you have any other questions? **P. Moser:** No, that answers it, thank you. **Newkirk:** Alright, thank you very much for bringing that up. That was a good point. **Currle:** I think it's quite advantageous to be able to have these committee chairs. (a) they have the responsibility; (b) they have unique knowledge of their situation. I remember on several occasions during the last administration we had the chairs of our China Committee come in, and the International Division come in for items that we needed to have discussed, but we can always hybridize it. They could always join us via some sort of a Zoom connection. I'm certain that can be accomplished. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny. **Mastin:** I just want clarification for today's Zoom meeting, and Zoom meetings going forward. In the past and currently I chair the International Show. Over the past 2 years or so, I have asked Allene to take the lead on that in presenting the report to the board. Am I still able to do that during the Zoom meetings, or am I to present the entire report and can we allow Allene to answer questions during the discussion? **Newkirk:** I think it's up to you. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. **Newkirk:** That would be my suggestion. I mean, my God, Allene is our rock. She is the centromere of a cell, so to speak, so everything revolves around what Central Office does. So I think it's important. Any other issues about Rachel's report here on the production of the agenda? OK, I see no hands on so we will move on to Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

(2) SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Newkirk: Rachel Anger, you are recognized for Order #2 of the day. **Anger:** Thank you.

(a) Additions/Corrections to the Minutes.

None.

(b) Ratification of January 2021 Teleconference Minutes.

Action Item: Approve the January 5, 2021 teleconference minutes, as presented.

Anger: I would like to move that we approve the January 5, 2021 teleconference minutes, as presented. **DelaBar:** DelaBar seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you, Pam. So, we have a motion and a second by Rachel and by Pam DelaBar to approve the January 5th teleconference minutes, as presented. Is there any discussion? Is there any objection to the approval of the minutes? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent the minutes are approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Thank you Rachel. Next?

(c) Ratification of Online Motions.

	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
MOTIONS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE RATIFICATION			
None.			
	Moved/ Seconded	Motion	Vote
MOTIONS THAT REQUIRE RATIFICATION			
None.			

Anger: Miracle of miracles, we have no online motions so we are skipping item (c) and moving on. Thank you very much. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much.

(3) CENTRAL OFFICE REPORT.

Submitted by: Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director

Newkirk: OK. The Central Office report was moved to closed session. **Eigenhauser:** Actually, not all of it. **Newkirk:** Go ahead Allene.

Central Office Staff: *effective January 29, all employees with the exception of a skeleton crew (2 people – Shirley Michaud-Dent and me) will work remotely from home. It is unlikely that any of our staff will receive the COVID vaccine for several months and continuing to come into the office puts everyone at risk on a daily basis. CFA is fortunate that staff is able to successfully work off site as proven last spring when everyone worked remotely. All of our customer interaction is already virtual (not in person). We will simply be doing things virtually from a non-centralized location.*

I don't anticipate any negative effect to work-flow or productivity. The main change for our customers is there will be no one available to answer phones live. The message will indicate to either email us or leave a message and we will return their call. A post was made to CFA News and information is on the website.

Show Supplies and Scoring: *I am currently working with several entry clerks and show secretaries to streamline and reduce the cost for show supplies and shipping to shows, and shipping costs to send the package back to the Central Office for scoring post-show.*

Stars & Stripes show personnel (Paula Noble and Sheryl Zink) enthusiastically offered their upcoming show for an experiment, and we enthusiastically agreed. They will print all necessary documents (judge's books/color class sheets, finals sheets, master clerk catalog) on one copy, plain paper. After the show, the pages will be scanned using an Adobe Pro phone app, organized, and approximately three to four, multi-page files will be available for CO to download and print for scoring. Each judge will be provided a scan of their paperwork by the club.

A couple other shows outside the U.S. have already successfully scanned results to the Central Office.

Key to the success of scanned show records will be the ability to provide quality scans of the pages, organized in a few files for CO use. Simply taking a picture of each page and attempting to provide potentially 100's of individual jpg files will not be acceptable. We will identify acceptable scanning options in the documentation and require a scanning test be done prior to the actual show if it is the first time the show is using this method to provide show results to the CO.

Looking to the future, this experiment with Stars and Stripes is hoped to eventually result in greatly reducing the items shipped to shows in lieu of downloading and printing on site by the club, and eliminate the need to ship the show results and other documents to CO. Paula and Sheryl have agreed to assist with creating documentation.

Tartaglia: I'll make this really brief. It's really for information only. The only thing that was different is now in Executive Session, so I just gave a little update on the Central Office staff working remotely, that we're working with Stars & Stripes and other clubs to make the show packaging and show supplies a little bit more automated.

Annual Meeting Site Selections: *we are currently contracted through 2024 (region 5) for our Annual Meetings. As reported previously, site visits for the 2025 and 2026 locations have not been possible due to COVID-related travel restrictions. Not only are many hotels not fully operational but there is also the concern of permanent closings and/or ownership changes. There is the additional challenge of predicting what our Annual Meetings will look like 4+ years from now regarding attendance. At one time, attendance was consistent. A meeting held in 2000 was very similar to the meeting in 1995 and 2005. Not anymore. We have re-negotiated hotel contracts to reduce the guest room block for the past two Annual Meetings and are in the process of re-negotiating contracts already in place for future Annuals. Because the number of guest rooms blocked directly affects our ability to receive complimentary meeting room space (the higher number of guest rooms the more likely meeting space is comped) we may lose our ability to secure complimentary meeting space.*

Although I had hoped and planned to start doing site visits during the summer/fall of 2020, those plans were derailed. It may not be until late 2021 that site visits for the 2025 and 2026 can be done.

[Hayata joins the call]

Tartaglia: Also, just an update on annual meeting site selections and what's happening there as far as we are a little bit behind and the reason why. So, if nobody has any questions, that's my report. **Newkirk:** Any questions? Rachel, for the record, would you note that Yukiko Hayata is on? **Anger:** So noted, thank you.

[Secretary's Note: The following discussion regarding the 2021 Annual Meeting was moved to executive session during the Orders of the Day. At the conclusion of the discussion, a motion was made and carried to include the transcript with open session material. That discussion appears below.]

Annual Meeting 2021: *Unfortunately, there are more unknowns than knowns this year due to COVID. We are bombarded daily with news regarding COVID-19, the availability of the vaccine, who is eligible to receive it, appointments to receive the vaccine cancelled, will there be sufficient supplies of the second dose, how long is the vaccine effective, can you still spread COVID after being vaccinated, new and more contagious strains of COVID appearing, travel quarantine restrictions/requirements, etc. We were all hopeful, even certain, we would see a return to "normal" life by 2021 and we would all feel safe with social activities. Sadly, that has not happened and it is looking more and more that it may not happen until closer to the end of 2021.*

Any type of virtual attendance will be challenging. Good internet access for all participants will be crucial. We've experienced internet connectivity issues for board meeting attendees and we

should expect connection issues to be exponentially greater with a larger number of participants. We have no control on attendees' internet quality.

Virtual voting and discussion on amendments and resolutions will likely be problematic due to the ability of a delegate to participate via Zoom. Delegate check-in prior to the meeting will still need to be conducted, delegates who wish to speak to an issue during the meeting will need to be promoted to panelist level. Polling via Zoom is cumbersome. Perhaps a different method for voting on amendments and resolutions should be explored.

Is an all virtual Annual possible? Yes, with much advance planning, preparation, practice and creativity.

I am concerned any form of an in-person meeting (100% in-person or blended) will risk the health and safety of attendees and place CFA in a potentially libelous situation should the gathering turn into a "super spreader" event. The Board previously voted to cancel the 2021 International Show in October due to COVID related issues. Should we be having an in-person event taking place 3-4 months earlier?

[from Sunday executive session] **Newkirk:** Let's take up Central Office, Allene. This is about the annual meeting, I'm assuming. **Tartaglia:** I have all the information in the report. I don't want to read it. I'm sure everyone has gone through it. Just some concerns about the annual meeting coming up with COVID. We're still talking about it's going to be virtual or it's going to be blended or is it going to be in person. I'm just asking for a decision to be made, because regardless of how we do this, it's going to take quite a bit of planning, especially if any type of virtual attendance is involved with it. So, I provided the reasons for why we should consider a virtual annual, concerns, and then provided some recommended action items. Oh, there's Vicki. **Newkirk:** I just let her in. **Tartaglia:** So, do you want me to go back to – **Newkirk:** Yeah, let's go back.

[from end of World Organisation of Cats application] **Newkirk:** Let's go back to the Central Office Report and Allene. **Tartaglia:** OK, so basically the information is there. We went over that a little bit, and then I just had some recommended action items.

Action Items

1. *Motion to hold the 2021 Annual Meeting and other meetings normally held in conjunction with the Annual virtually.*

Newkirk: OK Allene, back to you. We got that one taken care of. **Tartaglia:** I think the next item would be to look at Action Item #1. Again, these are recommended and just open for discussion for just general board thoughts on this. **Newkirk:** So, this is to proceed as normal or virtually? **Tartaglia:** This would be to hold it virtually, so not in person. **Newkirk:** OK, I misread it. OK. **Mastin:** In order to begin the discussion here, I will make the motion that the 2021 Annual Meeting be held virtually. I just want to get the discussion going. **McCullough:** Steve seconds. **Newkirk:** Steve seconds, so Steve I'm sure you have some comments on this. Steve, you are recognized. You're the Regional Director for the Annual. **McCullough:** I've polled my committees. They would like to see a combination, a hybrid of virtual and in person, their reasoning being that regionals have to have regional shows this year, have to have regional

awards shows, have to have regional banquets. It's no different than having a small meeting for the annual and doing a hybrid or whatever we're calling it with the virtual. **Newkirk:** One of the things that I wanted to do is, I wanted to poll all the regional directors to see what their member clubs feel about attending an in-person annual. I would like to start with Region 1, Sharon. Sharon, share with us any input you have from your clubs. Is Sharon not on? **Tartaglia:** Sharon, you're on mute. **Roy:** I am. I just realized that. I haven't polled my clubs on whether we want to attend an annual, but I did ask several people that are very, very active in the region. Overwhelmingly, they wanted it virtual. **Newkirk:** OK thank you. Pam Moser, would you give us your input for your region? **P. Moser:** Well, I really haven't polled anybody, but I can tell you since we haven't had one show in our region I don't think it would be the safest thing to do. I don't think my region would want this held in person at all. **Newkirk:** OK Steve, we've already gotten yours, so let's go to Region 4, John Colilla. John, you are recognized. You're muted. **Colilla:** I did not do a poll either, but I have people contacting me saying they're not going and we will not have any shows this show season, so I'm not for it. **Newkirk:** OK, Howard. **Webster:** I haven't polled the group, but I know that most of the exhibitors that I have talked to are not in favor of even going to a show, let alone going to the annual. **Newkirk:** OK, Cathy Dunham. **Dunham:** My region pretty much mirrors everybody else. They really have no interest in going to an in-person event. Even though we have had minimal shows in our region, our exhibitors just are not comfortable yet. **Newkirk:** OK, Kenny Currle. **Currle:** We've had a number of shows in our region, not a tremendous amount. We have some planned, and having not taken a poll I can only guess it would be pretty much split, but I would be happy to take a poll and asking them whether or not a totally virtual meeting and/or a blended meeting, what it would be, and then come back to you within the next two weeks at a special meeting, so we can make a final decision. I just would like to wait and see. I mean, how long would it take to put together a virtual meeting? Those are questions that I would like to ask and find out before I were to commit in any way. **Newkirk:** Let me finish 8 and 9, and then we'll come back to you, Kenny. Hayata-san? **Hayata:** Yes. My region, we have some cat shows, real cat shows, but we haven't had any real meeting so maybe we are interested in a virtual national meeting. **Newkirk:** OK. Pam? **DelaBar:** We have talked about it a bit. I'm having a Zoom meeting on the 10th, so I could poll. People said if they were able to get the COVID vaccine, both series, or the series of two shots, that they would possibly consider it. Of course, I'm sitting here with vaccine envy of several of you who have already had it, but I'm due this month. We're looking at, they would participate virtually but right now it all depends on how quickly the EU gets the vaccine out. By the by, we found out that Sputnik V is very, very good vaccine. **Newkirk:** OK, that's good news. **Krzanowski:** I wonder if there's time for CFA itself to poll our member clubs on this issue. We've done it on other issues – for show seasons, points, etc., scoring wins – but we have never actually polled them regarding the annual meeting. Personally, I feel we should do a virtual meeting. I was one of those people that was hoping that the vaccination program would be farther along than it is right now. Here in the U.S., we are having a lot of issues with people trying to get even their first vaccine, and now with the new variants floating around the country, that adds another concern. I just am worried that we would not have a quorum. Also, in regard to the hybrid situation of the meeting, I feel that's very risky at this point, because I just don't see how that could work out. I think it should be one or the other. We should either go for it and try do an in-person, or just do virtual. My personal opinion is virtual. **Eigenhauser:** I don't think this is an issue entirely of what clubs want. Yes, we're elected officials; yes, we have to keep their wishes in mind. This is not a political issue, this is a health and safety issue. We have a

particularly vulnerable population among CFA exhibitors. None of us are getting any younger. Right now, at the rate they're rolling out the COVID vaccine in the United States, they will have everybody vaccinated by about March of 2022. The goal of having 100 million people in the first 100 days became, well, 100 million shots, 50 million people. If you do the math, to get us up to the 200 million plus we're going to need to have any herd immunity, it's going to be long, long after the annual. The more time we spend discussing this, the worst it's going to be. #1, we're going to have a lot of problems with running into deadlines soon. Pretty soon, people are going to start making decisions about booking air fares and other things, we're going to have to worry about running into constitutional deadlines within CFA in terms of getting out notices. On the subject of the hybrid annual, I think that's the worst of both possible worlds, because we'll have all the expenses of an in-person annual and not necessarily save as much money as we think. If you normally have a table with three people at it and we social distance so we have a table with one person at it, we can have 1/3 as many people present at the annual and still need just as big a room. So, I don't think that that's going to work. Plus, as complicated as a virtual annual will be, doing a hybrid is just going to double that because we're going to have to coordinate between what's functioning online and what's happening at the live meeting. I don't think we should wait. I think this is a matter of health and safety, not popular opinion. I think we should vote now, cancel the live portion and go entirely virtual for the annual. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you George. I'm trying to get everybody that hasn't spoken recognized. **Calhoun:** I agree. I think that the virtual option is the option that makes the most sense from a health and safety standpoint, and it by far makes the most sense from a financial standpoint. A hybrid will be more expensive than we can imagine and we may not achieve what we think that we're going to achieve. We're not going to know how many people would show up in person at a hybrid until they show up. It would be immensely expensive and extremely difficult. I think the other thing that I just wanted to add is that we were voted in to lead, and there comes a point in time where we have to make the tough decisions. If there's repercussions, there is, but I think we need to do what we think is the right thing and what's the best thing for our people. As has already been mentioned, we have an aging population, but even if people opted to go who were fully vaccinated, that does not mean, with the vaccines that are currently used in the United States, that you still may be contagious. So, on the way, through airports, hotels, restaurants, you may become contagious and take it to people at this event that weren't vaccinated or take it back to your families and your co-workers. I think we should move forward, we should make a decision on a virtual annual and we should make it today. **Newkirk:** The one person who hasn't spoken is Brian Moser. **B. Moser:** I agree with Kathy. I think it would be almost irresponsible of us to do a live annual at this time. What we know today, it's not getting much better. Yesterday, over 2,500 people died of COVID, and so my vote would be to cancel the annual. **Newkirk:** Kenny, I'm going to circle back to you and let you finish your thoughts on the polling. **Currle:** Basically, it's a tough decision. I know that if I were holding the regional this year, I would want to poll my clubs. Steve apparently has already gotten input, but I know that he's going to have to wait 8 years to be able to host an annual. I also understand that this is a totally different time, so I'm in agreement that we should probably err on the side of caution at this time. I just wanted to know if there was a possibility with a hybrid annual for those that did want to attend. I will certainly support what the board as a whole decides to do.

Newkirk: I'll start our second round here, and that's with Rich Mastin. **Mastin:** Thank you Darrell. There's a couple things here. People have spoke on this. This has to be a board decision. I understand people want to poll their region and get some feedback. Unfortunately,

time is up. We had mentioned this awhile back, that we should have been addressing this at the six month point. We are now roughly 129 days or 18 weeks and 3 days from when we would all be flying in. We need to address this today. We can no longer wait. The other point I want to point out is, let's say you cannot attend the annual for whatever reason and you have to pick a family member to attend that annual. That family member or co-worker that you see on a regular basis, whether it's one day a week or maybe you live with that person, or maybe you have to take care of that family member, and that family member has underlying conditions or health issues, by you attending this annual and taking care of that family member or living with that family member who has underlying conditions, you are putting that family member at great risk. If you don't have a vaccine, or even if you do have a vaccine, you still may come down with it or be contagious. We really need to take this seriously. I have 1,200 employees that work for the company that I'm a shareholder of. Every day we go through health checks and practice all our sanitation procedures, social distancing, guards up, glove wearing, everything that we need to do in order to keep our businesses open. I can't sit here and tell you that out of those 1,200 employees we haven't had any positive cases. We have, but it's very, very few. We work really hard at it. I've seen some pictures from the CFA shows that we've had recently. Those pictures show me we do have people in show halls not wearing masks, not properly social distancing. Well, when you attend an annual, we all know what an annual is about. We get together in groups of people we do not live with on a regular basis and we make bad choices – not intentionally or on purpose, but we make bad choices because we want to be with those friends. Folks, we need to do the right thing here. We do not need to do a CFA in-person annual. We have figured out a way to conduct business. Darrell, you have done a great job doing these Zoom meetings, and so have the rest of the other board members following your lead. We can continue to do business through a Zoom meeting. We need to pause. Things will come back to normal maybe in 2022. They should, as long as these variants don't get out of control. Let's pause and move forward. Let's begin our cancellation process with the hotel, let's work on doing this all virtually. It's going to cost us money, and we've got the money to spend, but we need to do it right. A hybrid will not do it right. It will cause us a great deal of problems. Thank you.

Newkirk: Thank you Rich. As you know, you and I talked about this on the phone the other day. I'm really conflicted about it, because I miss the social interaction with people. I really do. I live by myself – my and my cat. She keeps me company most of the time. She's wanting me to get up out of this chair so she can sit and relax for a while.

Dunham: I just want to address the hybrid meeting. For four years, I did video broadcasting of these exact meetings that we're talking about, and I have also reached out to my previous employer where I was doing video broadcasting. Because he has been doing this for the entire last year, I asked his opinion about hybrid meetings in general – not specific to CFA, but in general. His opinion for the organizations that he has worked with is, hybrid meetings are a disaster because you wind up with all of the meeting space rented, and then you might only have a handful of people show up in person and then you have everyone else virtual, and you're paying for both types of events at the same time. Your costs, of course, you still have to meet all of the costs of an in-person event – food and beverage, rooms, the whole gamut of those expenses. You're also still paying for the video piece, as well, to hold it virtually. So, his recommendation on a general basis was, please tell your board to go with a virtual meeting and, along with myself and him, and there's multiple many other companies out there that do the same thing, he is happy to give his input to help us put on the best possible virtual meeting possible. **Newkirk:** Thank you so much, Kathy.

Newkirk: Steve, do you want to make any closing arguments to support having an in-person? **McCullough:** No. **Newkirk:** OK, so I've already forgot. Did we make the motion to go virtually or are we just discussing it? **Mastin:** I made the motion and Steve seconded it. **Newkirk:** Good deal, so let's call the vote on it. I think everybody – I'm going to attempt to do this by unanimous consent, so is there any objection to the motion of holding our annual meeting for 2021 virtually? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, our 2021 annual will be handled completely virtual, so that motion is passed.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: OK Allene. **Tartaglia:** Thank you everybody. **Newkirk:** I'm assuming that you're going to come back with what we're going to be doing, at the April meeting. **Tartaglia:** Yes. **Newkirk:** I mean, this is going to take a lot of work. **Tartaglia:** It certainly will. I'll work with Rich and we'll have a subcommittee specifically for the annual meeting. **Newkirk:** Alright. I would like to be included in that, please. **Tartaglia:** OK.

2. *Motion to implement the same ballot counting procedures used for the counting of the 2020 ballots: (1) an outside accounting firm will count the ballots onsite in Alliance and Central Office will verify the count (2) the chair of the Credentials Committee, Nancy Dodds, will verify the count reported by the Central Office; (3) the official results will be provided to the CFA Executive Director, who will email all involved candidates of the results prior to disseminating a CFA-News post with the results.*

Newkirk: What do you have next? **Tartaglia:** The last item would be the ballot counting, and the motion is to implement the same procedures that we had last year, which actually worked out quite well. **Eigenhauser:** So moved. **Mastin:** Second. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Do you want to make some further comments? **Eigenhauser:** If it ain't broke, don't fix it. **Newkirk:** Allene, do you have any other comments? **Tartaglia:** No. I think we would just proceed the same way, hire the same accounting firm. Nancy Dodds, we had a really good routine going. I would talk with Nancy about that and see if she wants to fine tune it somehow. **Newkirk:** OK. Alright, good. Any comments? Is there any objection to the motion for ballot counting to be done as is printed here? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, that motion is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: My question is, is there any reason this stuff has to be kept in closed session? This is our normal business. I think the membership – **Eigenhauser:** Do we need to let the Annual Committee get in touch with the facilities and inform them first, rather than finding out from social media or something? I think we owe them that courtesy. **Mastin:** We also need to get in touch with the hotel and Pat Zollman. We want to work with them before they hear it through somebody else, so we should hold off at least maybe three days or so, I would think. **Newkirk:** I'm OK with a week. **Mastin:** Then let's hold off a week so we can get in touch with everybody. **P. Moser:** I was just going to say, that's what we did last time. You guys let me let my region know ahead of time before we made the announcement. **Newkirk:** OK. I think they are entitled to hear the discussion we had on this, because it's important and we're doing it for health reasons. It may cut down on the amount of criticism that we know is going to be thrown our way.

McCullough: Can I let my committees know before we start buying delegate bags this week? **Newkirk:** Rich, Allene, are you OK with that? **Tartaglia:** That's fine. **Mastin:** If they want to buy delegate bags, I think they can sell them. I think Pam did OK last year when she sold hers. **Eigenhauser:** But please let them know this isn't public information yet. **McCullough:** Because they're at the show today. **Newkirk:** Don't tell them today, Steve. When are you purchasing the delegate bags? What day of the week? **McCullough:** We have a meeting Tuesday. **Newkirk:** Tuesday. OK, we should be good by then. **McCullough:** We've been kicking this can down the road about the past three months, so what's another month. **Newkirk:** OK. **Tartaglia:** Darrell, I'll get in touch with Pat Zollman right away. As soon as we've been in touch with the hotel and we've resolved it, we'll send a note out to the board so that everybody knows it's resolved. **Newkirk:** Good deal. When the board is notified and everybody is notified, maybe you can put a CFA notice out that the annual is going to be done virtually, and that the minutes that were discussed in closed session.

Newkirk: I will need a motion and vote on this, to take this to open session, but that should be the order of how it's done. So, would someone make the motion to make this open session? **Anger:** Rachel moves. **DelaBar:** DelaBar seconds. **Eigenhauser:** And I assume it's part of the motion that when we say we make it public, it's a week from today. **Newkirk:** Yes, that's correct. Everybody understands that, right? Steve has been given permission to notify his committee not to buy the delegate bags, so hopefully it will stay within that committee. Anybody object to that – moving this to open session? I see no hands going up, so by unanimous consent, in 7 days these minutes and/or notes that Pam DelaBar takes can be published.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.



3. *Motion to appoint a COVID committee to work with the CO and develop best practices to conduct a virtual Annual.*

Tartaglia: I did want to note that #3 where it was a motion to appoint a COVID committee, this was specifically to work with the CO to develop best practices for a virtual annual. I just wanted to be sure that that was clear. **Newkirk:** That's going to be an easy one. Let's just go ahead and get that one out of the gate, OK? I talked to Rich Mastin about this. We didn't exactly know what Allene was looking for. Now we know, and Rich has volunteered to head up this committee, to help advise Central Office for COVID-related activities. I will let Rich address the committee [sic, board]. **Mastin:** Thank you Darrell. What I do want to ask with #3 for Allene is, it says, *Motion to appoint a COVID committee to work with the CO and develop best practices to conduct a virtual Annual.* Now, when you say "work with the CO and develop best practices" I assume that means globally, correct? And not for the virtual annual. The reason why I say that is, I don't have the background to guide Central Office on a virtual annual. I think if that is your intent, Darrell, you're going to need two committees – one for a global COVID committee and one assuming – and we don't know yet because it's not in front of the board – if we do a virtual annual. So, the second part is premature, but I do accept being chair of both. **Newkirk:** Thank you. We haven't really made it into a motion yet anyway, so what we can do is strike out *and develop best practices to conduct a virtual Annual.* Would that be satisfactory to you? **Mastin:** Yes, it would. **Newkirk:** Who made the second? **Morgan:** Morgan. **Newkirk:** OK. Alright, so we've got a motion and a second on Rich chairing. It's a Special Committee, Rachel. **Anger:** OK. **Newkirk:** Got it? For COVID advice to work with Central Office. Do you want to talk about the committee, who you plan to induct into the hall of fame? **Mastin:** I haven't had a chance yet to speak to anybody, because I wanted to make sure that the board is receptive to this idea and ratifies your directive. The first three people that I would ask right away, one being Cyndy Byrd, another being George Eigenhauser and another being Marilee Griswold. Did I say that right? **Newkirk:** Yes, M.D. **Mastin:** I'm sorry? **Newkirk:** M.D. **Mastin:** M.D. Those three individuals I will be asking to help. I don't know if they will accept, but I will ask them. **Eigenhauser:** George will accept. **Mastin:** George, thank you. **Byrd:** Cyndy will accept. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. I'm positive Marilee will accept. **Mastin:** I will get together with those three individuals and probably add to that committee. The committee is going to be busy, because we've got to look at things not just here in the U.S. but globally. Just to give you a head's up, that's the direction we're going. **Newkirk:** Fantastic, so let's call the vote on this special committee that Rich Mastin will chair, and it's a motion for a COVID committee to work with Central Office. Is there any discussion? Is there any objection to this motion? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent the special committee is appointed.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

CFA Special Committee Chairs				
COVID Committee*	Rich Mastin			rmastin1@rochester.rr.com
* work with the CO and develop best practices to conduct a virtual Annual.				

Respectfully Submitted,
Allene Tartaglia

Newkirk: Thank you everybody. Have you got anything else from Central Office, Allene? **Tartaglia:** No, that's it. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you.

DelaBar: Back to the CFA annual, I was not planning to address that at all in my notes, since we took it up under executive session, so not to worry. It will not appear. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Pam.

(4) BOARD CITE.

Action Item: *Regarding Protest No. 20-008-1230, move for a finding of guilty by default and move discussion regarding sanctions and ruling to the executive session.*

Newkirk: We'll move on to Order #4 and Shelly or Rachel, whoever is going to take the lead on this one. **Perkins:** I would like to wait another 6 minutes. If we could come back to that after the next motion so that we're at the noticed time. **Newkirk:** OK. It is 8:25, so at 8:30 we will suspend whatever is in the Judging report and go back to #4 at its designated time of 11:30 [ET] unless there's an objection to that. Hearing no objections, let's move on. [Transcript goes to Order #5]

Newkirk: Just waiting for the last few seconds to tick down. **Perkins:** I can go ahead and call it. We are here for Protest Number 20-008-1230. The time is almost 11:30. I will report to the board at this time that no one has submitted any written materials in this case, no one has appeared or so far have not appeared. No one has asked to appear or even obtain links to appear, and so therefore it's my position that at 11:30 the evidentiary portion of this record is closed and the matter should be moved to the closed session. **Anger:** So, I would like to make a motion that, regarding Protest Number 20-008-1230, to move for a finding of guilty by default and move the discussion regarding sanctions and rulings to executive session. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Newkirk:** Is there any discussion on the finding of guilty and the discussion be moved to closed session on Sunday? Hearing no objection, the motion is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

(5) **JUDGING PROGRAM.**

Full Committee Roster

<i>Trainee/Application Chair:</i>	<i>Ellyn Honey</i>
<i>CFA Approved Judges:</i>	<i>Vicki Nye</i>
<i>Guest Judges:</i>	<i>Vicki Nye, Wendy Heidt</i>
<i>China Associate Judge Program Chair:</i>	<i>Anne Mathis</i>
<i>Judges' Workshop/Tests/Continuing Ed:</i>	<i>Anne Mathis</i>
<i>Education and Mentoring:</i>	<i>Loretta Baugh</i>
<i>Breed Awareness & Orientation:</i>	<i>Barbara Jaeger</i>
<i>Applications Administrator:</i>	<i>Kathi Hoos</i>
<i>Domestic File Administrators:</i>	<i>Nancy Dodds; Marilee Griswold</i>
<i>Japan File Administrator:</i>	<i>Yaeko Takano</i>
<i>ID-China File Administrator:</i>	<i>Anne Mathis</i>
<i>Europe File Administrator:</i>	<i>Pam DelaBar</i>
<i>ID-International Div File Administrator:</i>	<i>Allan Raymond</i>
<i>Ombudsman:</i>	<i>Diana Rothermel</i>

Applicants, Trainees and Advancing Judges

<i>Chair:</i>	<i>Ellyn Honey</i>
<i>Board Liaison:</i>	<i>Rachel Anger</i>
<i>List of Committee Members:</i>	<i>Anne Mathis, Nancy Dodds, Marilee Griswold, Yaeko Takano, Pam DelaBar, Allan Raymond</i>

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Activities:

1. *Getting the Alternative Application Process ready for the February, 2021 Board Meeting.*
2. *Continuing to work with Trainees and Applicants on when they will be able to begin training.*

Current Happenings of the Committee:

1. *Coordination with Anne Mathis on her Judges Associate Program.*
2. *Presentation of the Alternative Application Program.*

Newkirk: Let's move on to business Order #5, the Judging Program Report. Allene, would you upgrade the Chairs? **Tartaglia:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Anne Mathis is not on? **Tartaglia:** No, she is not on. **Anger:** She is standing by if we need her. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. Rachel, you want to take the lead here? **Anger:** Sure, long enough to turn it over to Ellyn. **Newkirk:** OK. Alright Ellyn, you're up. **Honey:** Good morning everybody. Those of you on the east coast and other areas – Midwest – are not dying of cold, as I'm sitting out here in 67 degrees and sunshine. The Alternative Application process has been a long time coming, but I want to first of all

acknowledge all of the prior JPC and their administration prior to me for all the work they have done in the past on this project. They gave us the outline and the tools to make it a much better process, and made our efforts to clarify some of the issues helpful. I can also say that much of the process was taken from what the prior JPC did, with some changes. In order to understand the thought process behind this, it was first brought forward by the prior JPC, who even did focus groups to see what path it would take. It's my understanding that the prior JPC thought there should be a way for long-time exhibitors who had done a lot of work in their breed and other work for CFA should have a pathway to become a CFA judge without having to start doing requirements like a person who comes into the Program without the extensive background that these longtime exhibitors have had. There must be a way to test out of some of the requirements, just as some universities have done with what they felt were exceptional students. So, the proposal was presented to the board in June 2019. The board asked the JPC to make some changes and to bring back the proposal with the changes made in February 2020. The current JPC – us – prior to October 2020 realized that the final approval by the board had not been done and asked to have the May 2020 rules taken down to make the adjustments needed to this, including being more exact in wording for several of the requirements, such as the testing requirements, both written and oral. The following other changes the current JPC has made to the process from what was passed in February 2020.

Honey: So, I've got them listed here and I'm going to quickly read where the changes were made so you guys can follow along. **Newkirk:** Ellyn, can you just put a hold right now, because we're one minute away from 8:30 and this seems like a good place to break and go back. **Honey:** It is. OK sure, no problem. **Newkirk:** Just stand by. [transcript goes to Order #4]

Newkirk: Ellyn, we're back to you. Sorry for the interruption. **Honey:** That's OK, not a problem.

Acceptance: *The following individual is presented to the Board for acceptance:*

Accept as Approval Pending Allbreed from Another Association:

Nadejda Rumyantseva

17 yes; 1 abstain (P. Moser)

Action Item:

Acceptance and approval of the Alternative Application Process.

ALTERNATIVE APPLICATION PROCESS

Background

The Accelerated Application Process was brought to the Board Originally in April, 2019 and was passed in June 2019. However, there were some changes the Board requested to be made in February 2020, and the then-Judging Committee did make those changes. However, the final product was never brought back to the Board for final approval. The name was changed to the "Alternate Application Process" and there were several other changes the Board asked for, which were done, but in the change of JPC Committee members, formal final approval, was not

given by the Board. Inadvertently, the process was folded into the Judging Program rules, before the final approval, and then posted directly to the CFA website.

The new JPC then asked, after reviewing the Alternative Application Process, seeing it had not been fully finished (even rules were still in red), to table the process until February 2021. We asked this so that we could put into writing the actual implementation of the program, and make a few changes, which in our minds seemed necessary in order for any applicants that come under this program to be able to complete their requirements.

The Board approved the tabling of the Program until February 2021, and the May 2020 Judging Rules were removed from the Website.

Below is what the Board actually gave tentative approval to in February 2020.

A. Eligibility

First Specialty

1. 25 Grands minimum, 15 in primary breed.
2. Have bred and exhibited at least one NW, or five RW/DW, or comparable accomplishment such as bringing a new breed to the attention of CFA, mentoring within a breed, addressing a genetic or health issue within a breed.
3. Active member of CFA Breed Council.
4. Active member in a CFA club.

Second Specialty

Either apply under regular program, or meet the following requirements:

1. Exhibit 5 Grands minimum, at least two Persians/Exotics
2. Have exhibited at least three RW/DW, or comparable accomplishment

B. Application Process

1. Submit application to the Applications Administrator which should include:

(first specialty)

- a. Resume detailing CFA Accomplishments
- b. Number of cats bred and exhibited (detail registration numbers, names, titles, color and breed)
- c. What impact you had in your own breed
- d. CFA background and experience
- e. Statement of why you want to become a CFA Judge
- f. Proof of payment of application fee, as specified on accelerated application form.

(second specialty)

- g. Resume detailing CFA accomplishments in second specialty
- h. Number of cats exhibited (detail registration numbers, names, titles, color and breed)
- i. Proof of payment of application fee, as specified on accelerated application form.

Both Specialties:

1. Coordinate with Application Administrator to schedule practical at BAOS
2. Send Application fee, as specified on accelerated application form to Central Office

C. Acceptance Process

1. Written test (~~closed book~~ proctored), which addresses:

- a. Mechanics
- b. Ethics
- c. Basic Genetics
- d. Breed Questions

Test to be proctored and administered at BAOS, annual meeting, or another CFA function as designated by JPC and mutually convenient.

2. Practical

- a. BAOS-in ring
 - i) Identify breed, color pattern
 - ii) Handle, fill-in judges book
 - iii) Rank
 - iv) Present

3. Interview with The CFA Board or CFA Panel to be conducted at an in- person Board meeting, or designated CFA event

- ~~a)~~ If accepted, candidate will come in as ~~double~~ specialty Trainee with a requirement to satisfactorily complete a minimum of ~~three (3)~~ five (5) color classes. ~~in each specialty.~~

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If the above action item to adopt the Alternative Application Process carries, the JPC is asking to approve the following action item :

Action Item: Adopt the following Judging Program rule changes, effective immediately.

(Please note that some of the rules are from the May 2020 Judging Rules, but were not given final approval at the time, and taken down, so I have presented all of them as new)

2.25 Applicant must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

2.26 Applicants must submit a completed application by the published deadline for the testing show. Once the written and practical tests have been completed with a score of 90% 85% or better, the applicant will be pre-noticed on the CFA website and CFA Newsletter and CFA News. Applicants will be brought before the Board at the next in-person Board meeting following the testing.

2.27 All requirements for application to the Judging Program must be met at the time the application is dated and filed with the Judging Program Administrator, except for attending a BAOS, or a letter of intent to attend not more than two years after acceptance. It is required that the applicant makes two copies of their application: one for the committee and one for their own files and that the application be forwarded in one file to the Applications Administrator.

2.28 An applicant may apply for single specialty or double specialty if the requirements have been met equally for both specialties at the time of applying. If applying for both specialties, the application fee is doubled.

2.29 An applicant must have a cattery name registered with CFA for 10 years. A copy of the cattery registration must be provided in the application.

Honey: Under 2.29 [reads]. This was an addition. There was no number of years of breeding or cattery registration in the old one.

2.30 The candidate must have bred a minimum of 25 CFA Grand Champions or Grand Premiers; at least 15 must have been in his/her primary breed.

2.31 The candidate must have bred and exhibited at least one (1) National Winner OR five (5) Regional or Divisional Winners or have a comparable accomplishment in CFA such as bringing a new breed to the attention of CFA, mentoring within a breed, addressing a genetic or health issue within a breed.

2.32 The candidate must be an active member in good standing of a CFA Breed Council at the time of application.

Honey: 2.32, they must be an active member of a breed council at the time of the application. Some of these are just word changes.

2.33 The candidate must be an active member in good standing in a CFA Member Club at the time of application.

Honey: The same thing, an active member of a CFA member club at the time of application.

Mastin: 2.32 and 2.33, after the words “active member” would you consider including, and is it necessary, *in good standing*? **Honey:** Quite frankly, I haven’t given that much thought, but I don’t have an objection to it and I don’t think the rest of the chairs would, either. **Mastin:** OK, my next one is – **Newkirk:** Hang on Rich. If we’re going to amend it, let’s have a motion and approve it. Here’s the thing I don’t want. We have bounced this football around for two years. Ellyn has done a real good job here, and if there’s some minor wording change so that we can get this adopted, let’s make a motion to change it, if they don’t object to it, so that we can get this approved and get it up on the website. **Mastin:** OK, that’s my motion. Thank you for the explanation. **Morgan:** Morgan seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Melanie. Is there any discussion? Tell me again which one it is, Rich. **Mastin:** 2.32 and 2.33, add the words *in good standing* after active member. **Newkirk:** So, the motion is to insert *in good standing* after active member in 2.32 and 2.33. Is there any discussion on that? Is there any objection to the addition of that clause? Hearing no objection, the motion is ratified.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

2.34 Application Process:

The Application to the Applications Administrator must include:

- a. A detailed resume of the candidate’s CFA accomplishments.
- b. Breeds of cats the candidate has bred and exhibited.
- c. Number of cats bred and exhibited (including registration numbers, breed color names and titles).

Mastin: Item 2.34.c., it just may be me or not, but is *names and titles* missing from what should be included? It says, *Including registration numbers, breed color* but earlier I read we also wanted *names and titles*. **Newkirk:** OK, are you making that motion, to include *names and titles*? **Mastin:** I will make the motion if the agree with it. **Honey:** I’m fine with it. **Morgan:** Second, Morgan. **Mastin:** I read earlier you were requiring names and titles. **Newkirk:** I heard Carol and Melanie, so Rachel, you can put whoever you want for the second. Is there any discussion on adding *names and titles* to 2.34.c.? Any objection? No discussion, any objection? Hearing no objection, the motion is ratified.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

- d. Description of the impact the candidate has had on their own breed.
- e. CFA background and experience.
- f. The application must include, if applying for single or double specialty.
- g. Statement of why the candidate wishes to become a CFA Judge.
- h. Proof of attendance at a BAOS within two years of application, or statement of intent to attend.

Honey: 2.34, proof of attendance within two years of application or a statement of intent to attend.

i. Proof of payment of the application fee.

1. Submitting the application

a. Submit the application fee to the CFA Central Office

b. Coordinate with the Application Administrator to schedule practical testing at a scheduled CFA Show or Event.

Honey: 2.34(i)(1)(b), it says practical testing at a BAOS or other CFA event, including a cat show. Gives it a wider breadth of flexibility.

2.35 Acceptance Process.

1. Pass with a score of ~~90%~~ 85%, a proctored written examination which is to be administered at a CFA BAOS, Annual Meeting, Cat Show, or other CFA function designated by the CFA JPC which is mutually convenient. This written test addresses a minimum of 75 true or false, yes or no questions regarding the following topics:

Honey: 2.35 is to Pass with a score of 90%, a proctored written examination, and again it's at a CFA BAOS, Annual Meeting, Cat Show, or other CFA function designated by the CFA JPC, and the written test is going to have a minimum of 75 true or false, yes or no questions regarding the following topics. I listed all of the topics that are in your report.

a. Ethics.

b. Basic Genetics.

c. Questions related to any breeds eligible for registration with CFA

d. Questions related to Judging Program Rules

e. Questions related to CFA Show Rules and Standards

f. Questions related to Show Mechanics. If the applicant does not have a current clerking license, they will have to take the most current clerking test at the time of the proctored exam. Otherwise, a section on show mechanics will be part of their individual written test.

2. Pass with a score of ~~90%~~ 85% or better, a practical in-the-ring test, comprising of the following:

a. A ring will be set up by the proctors with no more than 10 cats, kittens or premiers, of different breeds in the Applicant's specialty. The cats ~~should~~ shall be either ~~whole cats, championship, kittens or premiers, premiership, not a mix,~~ mixture of the three categories. The applicant will complete a blank judge's

book, with the color class, breed, the color and pattern and gender of each individual cat.

Newkirk: OK Kathy, now you're up. **Calhoun:** Thank you. In 2.a. – and this is a question. It says, *The cats should be either whole cats, kittens or premiers, not a mix.* When I first read that, I got all twisted on “not a mix” meaning, is that referring to a Household Pet as a mix, or is that referring to a mixture of the categories? **Newkirk:** Where is that at Kathy? **Calhoun:** It's 2.a. You were on the page. All the 90% information, if you get to where we are talking about 90%, we were right there before you started to scroll. I think we – **Newkirk:** I don't see a 2. I see 2.35. **Eigenhauser:** It's sub-part 2. **Mastin:** It's 2.35.2.a. **Calhoun:** Right there. In 2.a., it says the cats should be either whole cats – which might mean Championship – kittens or premiers, not a mix. **Newkirk:** I see it now. Ellyn, would you explain that. **Honey:** The cats should be either champions or premiers or kittens, because what we're asking them to do is judge these cats, make their decisions, hang ribbons and then do a final, and so I want it done just as if they were a regular judge. I don't want them to mix premiers with champions with kittens. If you want to change the language so it's clearer to you guys, that's fine. Just tell me what you want. **Calhoun:** Perhaps we could say “not a combination of categories” but not “a mix.” **Newkirk:** You can put “mix of categories” or “not a combination of categories.” **Honey:** Which wording do you want? **Newkirk:** Make a motion, Kathy. Hang on Ellyn. I'm in charge of the meeting, you aren't. **Honey:** I'm sorry. **Newkirk:** Kathy, would you tell us how you want to amend the motion? **Calhoun:** I would say that it should be revised to say, *The cats should be either whole cats, kittens or premiers, not a ~~mix~~ mixture of categories.* **Eigenhauser:** It might be clearer if we took out *whole cats* and put *championship*. **Calhoun:** That's true, too. **Newkirk:** Let's do it all together, so strike *whole cats* and make *championship*, kittens or premiers. You want to put “not a mix of those three categories”? **Eigenhauser:** Can we make *premier premiership* just to be consistent? **Newkirk:** Yes. So the motion Kathy is making is to strike out *whole cats* and put *championship*, kittens or *premiership*, *not a mixture of the three categories.* **Eigenhauser:** George will second. **Newkirk:** OK with that, Kathy? **Calhoun:** Yes, I'm fine with that.

Morgan: Now that you've brought that up and opened that Pandora's box, it's complicated and difficult sometimes to get cats for these types of activities; for example, our handling schools, etc., and finding ten cats that would make sense for this process could prove challenging, depending on the venue. I understand that you want them to put together a final, but there is nothing to say that you couldn't put together a final, based off the merits of those cats, regardless of their classes. So, I guess I wonder why this is necessary. I think it will unnecessarily handicap you when you're trying to put together this portion of the evaluation. **DelaBar:** I am the first person to ever take the Judging Program Aptitude Test that I think lasted for maybe a year. We had to do this before the whole board. Being a board member, of course, I was the first one to do it. **Newkirk:** OK Pam, this is not germane to the motion. **DelaBar:** I was going to promote the motion and say – **Newkirk:** OK then, talk about the motion. **DelaBar:** Darrell, I am trying to give background, but forget it. Never mind, I support the motion. **Newkirk:** Shelly? **Perkins:** You know, I'm reading that paragraph, and again we have optional word “should” – the cats “should” be. That means it could be anything they want and so, again, I would replace the word “should” with “shall” to make that an actual requirement. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. Kathy, you made the motion and George seconded it. Is that correct? **Calhoun:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Are you OK with changing that? **Calhoun:** Yes.

Newkirk: George? **Eigenhauser:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Thank you Shelly for pointing that out again. Is there any further discussion on the amendment to 2.a.? Does anybody object to the motion? OK, so the motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

b. Ribbons will be hung with applicant's decision.

c. Prepare and present a final.

3. Interview with a CFA Panel chosen by the JPC Chairs, will be conducted at the in-person designated CFA event, after the Practical In-the-ring test.

4. If a candidate does not pass the written and practical test, by 90%, 85%, after three months they may reapply, or apply to the regular program after a 1 year wait.

Newkirk: OK, Rich? **Mastin:** Last one, I promise. We're going back to 2.35, only because it's a question. It's not a recommendation. #4, just curious. Why is it necessary to wait a year if they don't pass with 90%? Let's say they score 88. Why is it necessary that they have to wait a full year? **Honey:** Basically, that was taken from when somebody applies to the Judging Program and they are turned down, they have to wait a year so that is why we did that. That comes from the prior JPC and I don't disagree with them. If they can't do it – and they're supposed to be very advanced – this is directed at people who have been in the cat fancy for a very long time, have been around a long time and maybe they didn't want to clerk or maybe they didn't want to master clerk. This is designed for people who have been around the fancy for a long time, have way more work in their program than anybody would ever require. If they want to do this – everybody thinks this is easy. This is very difficult. This is a very difficult way to come in. I will tell you that, as far as I'm concerned, if they can't pass that stuff by 90%, then they need to wait a year and learn what they need to learn, and either come back to the Alternative Application or just come through the regular way. **Newkirk:** I think what the year wait was, is to correct any deficiencies so they would improve themselves when they apply the second time. **Honey:** That's what I basically said. It gives them the time to do what they need to do in order to pass. **Currle:** We're talking about a written test here. Am I correct in that assumption, Ellyn? **Honey:** There's a written test. If they're not a clear and they don't have their clerking license, they have to take the clerking test and also an oral. Basically, they go behind your table and judge 10 cats. I've outlined that here as to what they need to do. It's a very comprehensive way to get in. Then they have to do the interview. **Currle:** I understand that. We're talking about people with extensive and successful experience in breeding and in showing cats. **Honey:** And maybe developing a breed and some other things, yes. **Currle:** These are people that we are inviting into our Program, based on their past successes and we are expecting them immediately when they are ready to fly in through here and know how to take a test, with all the intricacies that go along with judging. I agree with Rich. I think it's just too detrimental to somebody. You're going to lose people that are really qualified that may not be a good test taker. I would leave it up to the discretion of the Judging Program as to whether or not they could be schooled, particularly if their test scores are very, very close, so I – **Newkirk:** Kenny, listen. We're discussing something we don't even have a motion on the table. So, somebody needs to make a motion if you want to change that year to something different. Somebody make a motion

of some kind. **Currle:** Kenny makes the motion to change it, to eliminate the one year waiting time. **Newkirk:** Well you can't – you're going to let them take it the next day? **Currle:** I would leave it up to the discretion of the Judging Program. **Newkirk:** They have said their discretion is a year. **Currle:** I'm taking that option away. I'm just giving them another option. **Newkirk:** There needs to be a time. Three months, six months, seven months, nine months. You don't like 12, so change it to something else. **Currle:** No, I hate 12. I think it's ridiculous. **Newkirk:** Well, that's OK but we've got to have some rule here that these people can follow. **Currle:** I make a motion that you must have a three month waiting period before you can retake it. **Anger:** Rachel seconds. **Newkirk:** OK, so the motion is to change a year to three months. So, now let's discuss that.

Eigenhauser: I'm not sure that sentence means what everybody seems to think it means. What it says is, *If a candidate does not pass the practical test, they may apply to the regular program after a 1 year wait.* It doesn't say reapply to the expedited program. **Newkirk:** That's a good point. **Eigenhauser:** I think that sentence doesn't say what they intended it to say. **Newkirk:** Ellyn, do you have a comment on that? **Honey:** Yes, I do actually. Basically what we're saying is that if you can't pass the accelerated process, come through the regular program. If we want to shorten that time – you're right, Kenny is correct. Some people are not good test takers, some people are excellent, but if you want to come back and you still want to apply to the Program, then apply in the regular manner. I will tell you that we've had people interested and everyone who is interested has qualified to come through the regular way, OK? **Newkirk:** You're saying, Ellyn, that if they don't pass the way you've got it set up, they can't reapply to the accelerated program. **Honey:** That is correct. **Newkirk:** So Kenny, do you want to withdraw your motion, or do you want to leave it in there so they only have to wait three months to apply to the regular Program? Or, do you want to scrap that altogether. **Currle:** I really think that this needs to be discussed a little bit further, but no, I'm going to keep my motion. If it's turned down, it's turned down. I just think that you're asking these people with this extensive experience and success in breeding – and we need breeders to become judges – to pass a test and wait a year when they're ready to give their service to CFA? I think that's too harsh. **Newkirk:** I just want to make sure you understand that what your motion is, is that they can come back not a year but three months later and apply to the regular Judging Program, not the Accelerated Program.

Anger: Actually, I would like to make that three month time period apply to either. What this says now is, if they don't pass the first time, then they cannot reapply at all. They have to apply the regular way. Is that the intent? I think after three months they can either reapply or go apply to the regular Program. That's my thought on that. It just disappeared from the screen so I cannot read to you what I wanted to have it say. **Honey:** Can I ask a question? **Newkirk:** Yes. **Honey:** OK. Melanie, you and your team were the original authors of this program. I would like to know your opinion. **Newkirk:** Go ahead Melanie. **Morgan:** Thank you. I have no problem with zero delay in reapplying to the regular Program, should they not pass the Alternate Application Process. Our intent was a one year period for them to prepare if they wanted to go back via the Alternate Application Process, but should they be ready or prepared to put together their regular application and go through that way, I see no reason to delay it at all. That said, it will take more than three months to put together an application, so if they haven't put it together it will be by default, right off of Kenny's suggestion of three to six months. **Anger:** So, am I correct that Kenny currently has a motion on the table? **Newkirk:** He does. **Anger:** Alright.

Well, I'll tell you what my thought would be and then we can decide how to go forward. My thought is to have it say, *If a candidate does not pass the written and practical test, by 90%, after three months they may reapply, or apply to the regular program after a 1-year wait.* **Newkirk:** Reapply to the Accelerated Program or. OK, do you want to make that an amendment to Kenny's motion? **Anger:** I would, because if they get 89 – **Morgan:** Right. **Currie:** I accept the amendment. **Anger:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** You don't need to accept the amendment. I need a second. **Eigenhauser:** George will second the amendment. **Newkirk:** Thank you George for the second.

Newkirk: Now we're going to discuss the amendment to the motion – nothing else, the amendment – Rachel's amendment where she is adding in after three months they can reapply to the Accelerated Program or apply to the regular Judging Program. That's what we're discussing. **Honey:** I just want to make sure I'm clear. So Rachel, your language would be that if they don't pass it by 90% they may reapply after three months to the Accelerated Program or to the regular Program. Is that correct? **Anger:** Yes, exactly. **Morgan:** I support Rachel's amendment. I think it makes a lot of sense and it will take care of all the concerns that people have. **Newkirk:** Fabulous. So, is there any further discussion on Rachel's amendment to the main motion? OK, no one is raising their hand. Is there any objection to the amendment to the main motion? Is there any objection to the amendment to the main motion? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, Rachel's amendment is adopted.

The amendment to the main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Now we have a main motion that has been amended. Is there any further discussion on the amended motion? **DelaBar:** What is the percentage that we have to pass our regular judges' test every two years? **Newkirk:** Ellyn, do you want to answer that? **Honey:** Yes, it's 85%. **DelaBar:** And we are asking applicants to be higher than the 85% that we're requiring our current judges to pass, who supposedly have all of this knowledge in mechanics and breeds, etc. When sitting in the judges' focus group the last time we had an International, the – **Newkirk:** Pam, does your – **DelaBar:** This plays into it, Darrell. **Newkirk:** OK. **DelaBar:** One of the things that came up is that we continually make it harder and harder and harder to get to become a judge when, in fact, our world has changed and we cannot engage people at the rate that we used to. I am getting more and more concerned about this and perhaps after we get done with this motion – I am concerned about the 90%. I would like to see 85% and that takes an amendment. We have already had an amendment to the motion. **Newkirk:** We can make another one if you want to do that. **DelaBar:** I would move that we put the passing percent to 85 – the same as it is across the board for judges taking tests. **Eigenhauser:** George will second. **Newkirk:** Thank you George for the second. We have an additional amendment, which is to change the 90% passage to 85%. Is there anybody – Ellyn, your hand is up. **Honey:** I'm good with that. I used the 90% as the prior JPC, that's what they had used and I didn't have a problem with it. The difference between taking the judges' test and for these people that are going to be taking this test, the judges' test isn't proctored. We tend to – people talk to each other, "how did you do this, how did you do that?" **Anger:** They shouldn't. **Honey:** Quite frankly, the people that are going to be taking this test are going to be in a setting. They will have their rules and usually just the tools that we carry around as judges. I don't have a problem with going from 90 to 85. It's fine. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Ellyn. **Calhoun:** This would apply to 2 and 4, correct? **Honey:** Yes. **Calhoun:** Thank you. **Tartaglia:** There's also 90% in 2.35.1. I'm not sure if the

85% applies there, too. **Honey:** Yes, that's the written examination, so it would apply there.

Newkirk: OK, so 1 and 2. Is there any other area where it's listed? Pam's motion is basically to change where the requirement is 90%, for it to be lowered to 85%. Is that correct, Pam?

DelaBar: That is correct. Seemingly with Ellyn's rationale, then the regular judges' test should be a 90% passage rate. I don't collude with anybody, because I don't trust anybody else's

answers but my own. **Newkirk:** I've always taken my test by myself. **Honey:** It provides a good learning opportunity. **Newkirk:** OK, so we have an amendment to the motion by Pam and

seconded by George. Is there any further discussion? We're getting bogged down by this and taking up time. No further discussion? Is there any objection to changing the 90% to 85% through this section? Seeing no objection, the motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

The secondary amendment to the motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Rich, that was the last one? **Mastin:** Yes, it was. **Newkirk:** We've got to vote on the main motion now. There have been two amendments to it. We've had two amendments to the main motion, so we've got to pass the main motion now. Any further discussion on the amended main motion? OK, seeing no hands up, is there any objection to the amended main motion? Seeing no hands up, by unanimous consent the motion is adopted.

The main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

5. If accepted, the candidate will enter the CFA Judging Program as a single or double specialty trainee and is required to satisfactorily complete a minimum of five (5) color classes in their chosen specialty or if applying under double specialty, a minimum of five (5) color classes in each specialty and handle 150 cats.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE THE FOLLOWING NEEDS TO BE ADDED TO THE JUDGING PROGRAM RULES

4.8

b. Alternative Applicants: Upon receipt of the application and successful completion of written and practical test, the applicant's name will be listed on the CFA Website, CFA Newsletter and CFA News for receipt of letters of recommendation or concern. Following this procedure, the application will be submitted no less than six (6) weeks prior to the next scheduled in person Board meeting for consideration of the CFA Executive Board.

4.20 Applicants in the Alternative process have the options to either:

a. Apply for both specialties with the initial application or

b. Apply for a single specialty initially, then apply for second specialty via either the regular applicant process for the second specialty outlined in 4.14-4.19, or alternate application process if they meet the requirements as outlined in 2.25-2.32.

6.2

1. Alternate applicant trainees are required to perform a minimum of five (5) breed/division color classes in each specialty and handle 150 cats in each specialty.
 2. At least two solo classes must be successfully completed.
 3. At least one (1) assignment must be outside region or 500 miles of residence.
 4. Alternate applicant trainees must work with at least three (3) U.S. judges.
 5. Alternate applicant trainees from Japan, Europe and ID/Asia must complete at least two (2) assignments in the United States.
- a. If training sessions are completed in the United States, they may be held a week apart to minimize expenses. It is highly suggested that the last supervised and the first solo sessions be completed with Judges from the United States.
 - b. Trainees must attend a CFA Judges' Workshop or Breed Awareness and Orientation school session within two (2) years following their acceptance to the Judging Program if one has not been attended at the time of application.
 - c. The trainee ~~may~~ shall not have entries owned or co-owned at a show where he/she is to do color classes, nor ~~may~~ shall the trainee judge a cat owned/co-owned or agented by a member of the trainee's household.

Newkirk: Rich, back to you. **Mastin:** 6.2.c. after “have” consider adding “owned or co-owned”. **Honey:** I’m confused. **Newkirk:** Yeah, I am, too, because – **Honey:** I’m not seeing c. **Mastin:** Maybe it’s me. It’s 6.2., paragraph 5.c., I guess it is. It’s on page 17. It says, *The trainee may not have entries at a show* and I’m asking to insert, *The trainee may not have owned or co-owned entries at a show*. **Honey:** Alright, so it’s – wait a minute. **Newkirk:** It’s 6.2.c., Ellyn. **Honey:** Alright, hold on a minute. I want to make sure that I get all these down. **Newkirk:** How are you wanting to change it, Rich? **Mastin:** Just insert “owned or co-owned.” Once again, **Honey:** Alright, wait a minute. **Mastin:** Once again, it may not be necessary. **Honey:** I’m thinking that co-owned, what I tried to do with this was to make it really clear and somebody can’t come back and give me an argument about – the co-owner cannot show the cat and they say, “it’s not in the rules.” So, I don’t have a problem with that. So, we’re going to add 6.2.c., add “owned or co-owned,” right? **Newkirk:** Slash co-owned. **Mastin:** That’s correct. That’s my motion. **Morgan:** Melanie seconds. **Newkirk:** Is there any discussion on the addition of “/co-owned” behind “owned”? Any discussion? OK, nobody’s hand is up. Any objection to the ratification of that motion? **Anger:** Wait, wait. **Newkirk:** Hearing no objection, the motion is agreed to.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Anger: Excuse me. I hate to butt in. I have conflicting language. The language Rich originally said and then what Darrell restated, to me, were different. Can we restate exactly what that motion is going to be? **Mastin:** Sure. **Anger:** Thank you. **Mastin:** I am asking to insert after *The trainee may not have owned or co-owned* **Anger:** ... entries, yes. **Mastin:** You can use the slash for “or” if you prefer. **Newkirk:** Well, there’s an “or agented” so I think the slash of “owned/co-owned” would read better. **Mastin:** That’s fine with me. **Anger:** We are looking at two different places. **Newkirk:** 6.2.c. **Anger:** Yes. Could Rich read – Rich is talking about the first line and Darrell is talking about the second line, so can Rich read the entire c. as it’s supposed to read now? **Newkirk:** Rich, do you want me to read it? **Mastin:** Sure. **Newkirk:** OK. *The trainee may not have entries at a show where he/she is to do color classes, nor may the trainee judge a cat owned/co-owned or agented by a member of the trainee’s household.* **Anger:** OK, and my question was, it was originally stated to read *The trainee may not have owned or co-owned entries at a show*, so on and so forth, so it was there in the first line. Darrell added it on the second line, *nor may the trainee judge a cat owned/co-owned*. Is it in both places or just one? **Mastin:** Well now, Rachel, that you have brought that up, it should probably be in both places if Ellyn agrees. **Honey:** I’m fine with it. I mean, let’s make it overly clear which is what we want to do. **Newkirk:** Rachel, are these both in c. or is it in a different subsection? **Anger:** They are both in c. **Honey:** Yes, it’s in two different sentences. **Newkirk:** OK, so Rachel and Melanie, will you withdraw that motion so it can be restated? **Morgan:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Rachel? **Anger:** Do you want me to restate it? **Newkirk:** No, I want you to withdraw the motion that we were getting ready to pass? **Anger:** I don’t recall making a standing motion. **Newkirk:** Well, we’ve been voting on stuff and you are the liaison, so you have to make the motions. **Mastin:** I made the motion. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. I’m sorry. Rich? **Mastin:** I’ll withdraw the motion. **Newkirk:** So, somebody restate what it is now. **Mastin:** Rachel, will you restate it, since you did it so well? **Anger:** I will. *The trainee may not have entries owned or co-owned at a show where he/she is to do color classes, nor may the trainee judge a cat owned/co-owned or agented by a member of the trainee’s household.* **Mastin:** I’ll second that. **Newkirk:** Rachel, you take care of who motioned and who seconded. I don’t care. **Anger:** Spread the wealth. **Newkirk:** Is there any discussion on that?

Perkins: I do have discussion. Using the word “may” is problematic because it can be interpreted two different ways, which means it’s not an obligation. I would rather see the word “shall” in c. and actually d. where it says *The trainee may not*. It should just say *The trainee shall not*. There’s two *may*’s in paragraph c. that could easily be replaced with the word *shall not* and that will solve any ambivalence there. **Newkirk:** That’s a good idea. Can we take that as a separate motion? Let’s go ahead and do Rachel’s motion, and Rich I guess seconded it. **DelaBar:** I was just going to say, we have allowed trainees to have like Household Pet entries or a member of their family showing Household Pet entries at stand-alone Household Pet shows. Can we just keep the “may not” to be able to allow those situations, instead of having to come back to the board? If it says “shall not,” then if there needs to be a change or whatever, it doesn’t have to come back to us so that a member of the trainee’s family can show a Household Pet in a stand-alone Household Pet show? That’s all. **Newkirk:** So, what would a trainee be training on, at a stand-alone Household Pet show? **DelaBar:** They wouldn’t be, but their family might be entered in a stand-alone Household Pet show. The trainee would be doing regular training.

Eigenhauser: Point of order. We have a motion on the floor that does not include the “may” to “shall” transfer. Can we take care of the first motion before going on to the second motion? **Newkirk:** Yes, thank you George for pointing that out. Ellyn, do you have a comment? **Honey:** I wanted to make sure that it was for 6.2.c. and d., is what Shelly – **Newkirk:** Hang on, we’re not discussing that right now. George is right, we’re off track. We’re off on a different motion, so let’s take care of this motion. If you have something to say, put your hand up; if not, take your hand down except for Rich, because I know he’s got more. Any further discussion on the motion that Rachel read? Is there any objection to the motion? Hearing no objection, the motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

d. The trainee ~~may~~ shall not have access to a show catalog until after he/she has been dismissed by the instructing judge.

Newkirk: OK, Rich, do you want to make the motion to change “may” to “shall”? **Mastin:** No. I’ll leave it to somebody else. **Morgan:** I’ll make that motion. **Anger:** Rachel seconds. **Newkirk:** This is for c. and d. where it says “may not” be changed to “shall not.” Shelly, is that your recommendation? **Perkins:** Yes. I think that in c. there’s a “nor may” and it should say “nor shall,” but all “may”s in c. and d. should be changed to “shall” because otherwise it really doesn’t mean anything. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. **DelaBar:** I withdraw my original objection to putting “shall” in there. I was reading something into it that’s not there, so no problem. **Newkirk:** Alright, thank you very much. Any further discussion? Is there any objection to the motion? Hearing no objection, the motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

e. The trainee must present himself/herself to the instructing judge under whose supervision he/she is to work prior to the start of judging for that day and will remain with him/her until the completion of all judging in that ring or until dismissal by the instructing judge.

6.3 Breeder Division color class evaluation for Alternative Process

a. Five (5) Breed/Division in each specialty and handle 150 cats in each specialty.

b. At least two(2) assignments must be outside region or 500 miles of residence.

c. At least three (3) color classes must be completed by US Judges.

d. Trainees from Japan, Europe and ID/Asia must complete at least one (2) assignments in the United States.

Honey: Then we asked to add to the Judging Program Rules 4.8.b., all of what I listed, 4.20.a. and b., and 6.2, all. Basically, the language was just expanded and we added [inaudible]. **Newkirk:** So, does the board want to handle these motions en masse or shall we take them individually? **Mastin:** I have some comments, recommendations and questions for Ellyn and her

committee. I don't know how we want to do it, but I may have like five of them. I'm prepared to go through each number. **Newkirk:** Alright, let's do it. [Transcript goes to each number.]

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Newkirk: Anyone else have any other amendments to the Alternative Application Process? Let's move forward. Ellyn, you have your Program. You did good work on this, so your Program can be put in the Judging Program Rules now and be posted. **Eigenhauser:** Don't we have to vote on whole thing, now that we have done the amendments? **Newkirk:** You are correct, George. Somebody needs to make the motion to accept the proposal, as amended. **Currle:** Kenny makes the motion. **Calhoun:** Kathy seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you. Is there any discussion now? Ellyn? **Honey:** You go ahead and make the motion. I just have a question. **Newkirk:** Does it not deal with the alternative process? **Honey:** It does. **Newkirk:** Well then ask, because we're going to approve this. **Honey:** My question is, do I have to bring the changes back to the board for final approval? **Newkirk:** No, we're approving it right now, with the amendments that we made. **Honey:** So, I will make the amendments and send them on to Rachel and they will become part of the Judging Program Rules, correct? **Newkirk:** That's correct, but you want to make sure that you and Rachel get together and make sure that what's in the minutes is amended to your proposal. **Honey:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** So, we have a motion and a second, to adopt the amended Alternative Application Process, as presented by the Judging Program Committee. Any further discussion on this? Is there any objection to the adoption of the amended Alternative Judging Application process? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent it is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Thank you Ellyn for your good work. Do you have anything else, Ellyn, for your committee report? **Honey:** Not in open session. **Newkirk:** OK, alright.

*Respectfully submitted,
Ellyn Honey, Chair
CFA Applicant, Trainee and Advancing Judges*

Approved Judging Administrator Report

Committee Chair: Vicki Nye
Liaison to Board: Rachel Anger

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Following the January 5, 2021 Board Meeting, at the Board's direction, Vicki Nye posted the newly created COVID-19 Return to Work for Judges document with explanation to the CFAJudgeslist.io email list. The document is saved there under forms, and also on the CFA.org website. Also posted to the CFAJudgeslist@groups.io, and sent to each judge prior to upcoming shows, the following statement.

The CFA Judging Program is communicating to all judges who are scheduled to officiate at an upcoming show. We want to help guide and reassure our colleagues through this difficult pandemic, until we are all safely out the other side.

Any judge has the right to cancel any show if they do not feel safe or comfortable, for any reason (pandemic, social unrest, mask requirement, family situation, etc.). The Judging Program will always support this decision, and are standing by to help the clubs if needed with creative options for replacing a judge, which have recently been approved by the Board of Directors.

Specifically, if you are not comfortable adhering to the local requirements for mask wearing and social distancing, please seriously consider your options. If you decided to go forward with the assignment and discover at the show that complying with the law by wearing a mask is impossible, Show Rule 11.03 would then come into play. You must either take a break in a safe area until you are able to return to the ring with your mask over your nose and mouth or relinquish the ring.

The Judging Program is neither encouraging nor discouraging any judge from cancelling a show. We are simply here to uphold your right to independently determine which decision is right for YOU, while at the same time ensure that CFA shows are in compliance with local law

Current Happenings of Committee:

In light of a reduced CFA show schedule, I have put together the following table listing shows that occurred in the 2020-2021 show season, broken down by region or area, including counts, Guest Judge data and Associate judge data. Having this information may help to make decisions. For instance, there have been 5 shows in regions 1-7 this season, though none in regions 1, 2, 4, or 5. Through 1/23-24/2021 23 CFA shows Worldwide, including 8 in China, 5 in Japan, 3 in Region 9 (Finland), 5 in Regions 1-7, and 2 in ID (Hong Kong and Thailand).

Count K/CH/PR/HHP	Date	Club	Ring Format	Region or Area	# Guest Judges	# Assoc Judge
9/27/2=38	8/2/20	Nishi Nihon CC	5/1	8 Japan	-	-
23/35/2=60	9/5/20	Malaysia Cat Fanciers	2/0	ID Thailand	1 UCA	-
2/28/13=43	10/18/20	Sherwood Manx Club	2/0	9 Finland	1 Fife	-
43/34/7=87	10/24/20	Mountain City CF	2/0	China	-	-
38/19/9=66	11/7/20	China Yangtse River CF Club	2/0	China	-	-
74/78/44= 196	11/7/20	Cotton States CC	6/2	7	-	-
4/25/20=49	11/8/20	Cat Fanciers of Finland	2/0	9 Finland	1 Fife	-
13/17/16= 46	11/14/20	Dear Meow	2/0	ID HK	-	-

43/39/15= 97	11/14/20	China Skyline Feline Fanciers	5LHSH 1SH	China	-	9
43/57/9= 109	11/21/20	Hua Xia Cat Club	2/3	China	-	6
34/29/18= 81	11/28/20	Xijing Cat Club	-/4	China	-	6
16/52/9=77	11/28/20	Comodo CF	5/1	8 Japan	-	-
39/55/15= 109	11/28/20	Frontier FF	5/1	6	1 ACFA	
4/25/10= 20 39	11/29/20	Sophisto Cat Club	2/0	9 Finland	1 Fife	
34/64/27= 128	12/5/20	Cat Club of the Palm Beaches	6/2	7	2 TICA	
27/31/14= 72	12/5/20	King Kong China	1AB 4LHSH 1SH	China	-	7
24/30/19= 73	12/12/20	China Skyline FF Alliance	1 /4	China	-	6
21/53/10= 84	12/13/20	Yokohama Bay Cat Fanciers	5/1	8 Japan	-	-
29/41/13= 83	12/26/20	King Kong China	1AB 3LHSH 1SH	China	-	5
19/33/11= 63	12/27/20	Japan Shaded	5/1	8 Japan	-	-
44/79/32/7=162	1/9/21	Houston Cat Club	7/3	3	-	-
	1/16/21	Japan Regional	10/2	8 Japan		
	1/23/21	Star City CF	6/2	7	-	-
Scheduled						
	2/6/21	Stars & Stripes	7/3	3	-	-
	2/27/21	CC of the Palm Beaches	6/2	7	1 TICA	-

[From executive session] **Relicensing:**

Action Item: Approve the annual relicensing of all Judges who are in good standing. Relicensing requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the board members present.

Relicense:

Makoto Murofushi 13 no; 5 yes (Byrd, Curre, Hayata, Newkirk, Webster)

Respectfully Submitted,
Vicki Nye, Chair
Approved Judges & Guest Judging Program

Newkirk: Now we will move on to Vicki Nye. Is Vicki – can Vicki be upgraded to a panelist, Allene? **Tartaglia:** She is here already. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. **Nye:** Hi Darrell. I think I'm already on. **Newkirk:** Yep, you are. Go ahead with your report, Vicki. **Nye:** Thank you all for the time. I just wanted to – there's no motions in my report in open session here. I wanted to document the fact that we had communicated the board's actions on the COVID return to work document and also the communication on being able to cancel a show if they did not feel safe. Those were both communicated through the CFA judges' list group. Additionally, I put together a table under the *Current Happenings of Committee* which lists the shows that have occurred since the beginning of the season. There should be two additions to this. There was an additional show in January in Japan that was omitted from this list. I picked up my information from the Scoreboards and at the time I polled, that show had not been on the Scoreboard yet. Also, under Sophisto Cat the number of cats and entries is incorrect. I just wanted to provide this table so that, considering the number of shows, any board action related to the number of shows we're having, where we're having them, the number of guest judges that are being used and the number of associate judges, I thought this bit of information in this chart would help. **Newkirk:** Thank you for putting that together, Vicki. Anything else from your committee? **Nye:** No, not in open session. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal. We will see you tomorrow afternoon.

Guest Judging Administrator Report

Committee Chair: ***Vicki Nye***
Liaison to Board: ***Rachel Anger***

CFA Judges to Judge International Assignments:

<i>Judge</i>	<i>Assn</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>City/Country</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Kenny Currle</i>	<i>TICA</i>	<i>Skyway Cat Club</i>	<i>Largo, FL</i>	<i>12/12/2020</i>
<i>Toshi Tsuchiya</i>	<i>Fun</i>	<i>Pet Fair Fun Show</i>	<i>Yokohama, Japan</i>	<i>01/09/2021</i>
<i>Mihoko Tsuchiya</i>	<i>Fun</i>	<i>Pet Fair Fun Show</i>	<i>Yokohama, Japan</i>	<i>01/09/2021</i>
<i>Etsuko Hamayasu</i>	<i>Fun</i>	<i>Pet Fair Fun Show</i>	<i>Yokohama, Japan</i>	<i>01/09/2021</i>
<i>Aki Tamura</i>	<i>Fun</i>	<i>Pet Fair Fun Show</i>	<i>Yokohama, Japan</i>	<i>01/09/2021</i>

Non-CFA Judges requesting permission to quest judge CFA shows:

<i>Judge</i>	<i>Assn</i>	<i>CFA Show</i>	<i>City/Country</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Clint Knapp</i>	<i>TICA</i>	<i>Cat Club of the Palm Beaches</i>	<i>Sanford, FL</i>	<i>02/27/2021</i>

Respectfully Submitted,
Vicki Nye, Chair
Guest Judging Program

China Associate Committee

Committee Chair: Anne Mathis
Liaison To Board: Rachel Anger
List of Committee Members: Kai (Gavin) Cao: translator
Chloe Chung: coach and translator
Pam DelaBar: coach
Barbara Jaeger: coach
Anne Mathis: Chair and coach
Darrell Newkirk: coach
Teresa Sweeney: coach
Bob Zenda: coach

Brief Summation of Past Committee Activities:

The China Associates continue to successfully judge shows, and evaluations continue to be returned to me.

At the January Board meeting, a proposal to begin a second phase of this program for Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore. and Thailand was presented. There were objections to some of the wording and content, and I was asked to revise it and present again in February.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Evaluations of the China Associates will continue to be monitored. Plans for the Associate Program – Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand are in progress.

Future Plans for Committee:

The Associate Program second phase proposal has been edited, and is below. Changed content is underlined.

Newkirk: Rachel, are you going to do the China Associate Committee or is Anne Mathis coming on to present that? **Anger:** Anne is an attendee, if she can be promoted. **Tartaglia:** OK, I've got her. **Newkirk:** Good deal. Hi Anne. Go ahead with your report, please. **Mathis:** Hi. Good morning to everyone. I'll just go through the parts that I changed at the requests that were made at the last meeting. I did receive an email from Pam Moser, which I thank her for.

ASSOCIATE PROGRAM PROPOSAL

INDONESIA, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE, THAILAND

Mathis: So, the Associate Program now says *Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand* because we said ID-Other and that includes other countries that weren't part of this, so that was changed.

DelaBar: I would like to propose that this not be specific for Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand; that it's stand-alone as the Associate Program for all areas wanting to have associate programs, such as Europe if I can bring that up, and have Anne start with – we've already done China – have Anne start with this next one, as it has already been proposed for Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand. Then we can propose further Associate Programs, but to use this – I think Anne has done a wonderful job in putting this together – for all associates, not just Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand, and then adding in China. It's THE Associate Program.

Mastin: I've got some questions or comments or recommendations. First question, is it necessary for a motion to change the name? If it is, then you will probably want to do this in two motions. I don't know who wants to tackle that. **Newkirk:** This is being presented as an original motion. I don't think we actually passed the – we made recommendations for Anne to change things and bring them back. Anne, is that correct? This is being presented as an original motion now? **Mathis:** I guess so, yes. We can certainly change the name. I don't have an issue with that. I also agree with what Pam said. If this just becomes the Associate Program proposal, then we can make decisions on where we're doing it and when we want to do it, this could be across the board. **Newkirk:** If we change it to a universal program, we can go back and make it applicable to the China Associate Program? **Mathis:** I would think so.

Newkirk: Rich, I think somebody needs to make a motion to accept this if we're going to start making changes. **Anger:** Rachel moves. **Mastin:** Rich will second. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Rich.

BACKGROUND: *As you may remember, in June 2020 the CFA board proposed an experimental program in order to train individuals to judge at shows in China, as travel between countries had virtually shut down due to COVID-19. These individuals have completed over four months of training, and are now judging shows. Other areas of the world are obviously impacted by travel limitations as well, and other areas have reached out in hopes of a similar program for their areas.*

We were contacted by a representative of the Malaysia Cat Club, who had drafted a proposal and list of individuals that they felt were best qualified to train and later judge through this program. After much discussion, it was decided that we felt taking individuals from Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, and Singapore would fill the need for this area. We also decided, in the interest of fairness, that rather than choose people for this program that we felt were qualified, we would have an application process, and a committee of Judging Program Committee Chairs would review those applications and decide on the best candidates for the program. The applicants that are selected by the committee would be subject to CFA Board acceptance.

Mathis: We added: *and a committee of Judging Program Committee Chairs would review those applications and decide on the best candidates for the program. The applicants that are selected by the committee would be subject to CFA Board acceptance.*

Mastin: The very beginning of the outline, second paragraph, last sentence. Anne reviewed it. It's at the very end where it says, *The applicants that are selected by the committee would be subject to CFA Board acceptance.* I would like clarification from Shelly. Does that

need to be “shall” or “will”, or is “would” OK? **Perkins:** I always prefer firm language, and so “shall” is always preferred. If you want it to be mandatory, it needs to say “shall.” “Would” is just squishy, so there is always wiggle room for people to argue. **Newkirk:** So, you want to make an amendment? **Mastin:** I’m going to make an amendment to change the word “would” to “shall.” **Newkirk:** Alright, I need a second on the amendment. **DelaBar:** DelaBar seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Pam DelaBar. Alright, Rich we will go ahead and finish out your questions and then we’ll go back to Pam’s changing the scope of this. Rich, go ahead. **Mastin:** Do you want me to go on with the other questions? **Newkirk:** Do you have questions that may require an amendment to the proposal? **Mastin:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Go ahead.

This proposal was presented at the January 2021 CFA Board meeting, and concerns have been addressed in this updated version. Changes are underlined in this version.

PROPOSAL: *This is proposed as an extension of the China Associate Program, to be called simply the Associate Program, for implementation during the COVID-19 travel restrictions. If this program shows the success of the China program, it could continue to be utilized in other areas as needed. As with the Chinese program, the individuals involved would be eligible to train in their area only, in the specialty of their training.*

PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS:

Individuals who are interested in becoming ID-Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, and Thailand Associates would apply and those applications will be reviewed by the selection committee. As with the China program, we are looking for prominent people in these four countries who already have a significant investment in CFA and the cat fancy with several years’ experience, are licensed clerks and/or master clerks, and speak English. The number of applicants chosen will depend on the number of applications received, and will be an equal number of shorthair and longhair. Applicants are subject to Board approval.

Mathis: Then down under *Program Participants*, that’s just a reiteration of the fact that the committee would choose them and then the board would need to approve them.

Mathis: Darrell, excuse me. Under *Program Participants* in the first sentence I put “will.” Should that also be “shall”? It’s a reiteration of the application process. **Newkirk:** Shelly? **Perkins:** “Will” and “shall” are synonymous. I prefer the word “shall” but “will” is OK. **Newkirk:** OK.

TRAINING:

Training will be done in a similar fashion as it was for the China Associates. A core group of CFA Allbreed judge coaches will be formed, most of whom participated in the China program, to provide the candidates with the tools and resources they need to judge shows successfully.

Online training would begin with online breed presentations. Candidates will view and discuss online breed presentations, followed by a short post test for each breed.

Training will continue with online presentations used in our BAOS classes, in topics such as color and pattern, psychology of judging, how to mark a judges book, etc. This material will be tested in the candidates' final test.

For the handling portion of the training, there will be several steps. Candidates will view and discuss video clips of each breed being handled by judges, breed council secretaries, or experienced exhibitors. Second, candidates will be videotaped handling breeds they live or work with. Third, they will need to be recorded handling breeds they do not personally work with, preferably several in body styles they do not work with personally. For the China program, these videos were viewed with the Associates one at a time, in order for the coaches in order to give private feedback.

To finish out their training, the Associates will need to pass a final test, covering show rules, judging program rules, and a mechanics section. Individual interviews will be conducted with the Associates and Coaches, in which "what if" questions will be asked and answered.

EVALUATION:

Once the Associates begin judging shows, they will need to be evaluated by the clubs.

INCENTIVE:

These Associates, if they desire, could convert to regular specialty judge status with completion of a minimum of 15 evaluated shows in their specialty, a completed application, and completion of the steps outlined in the Judging Program Rules, with the following adjustments.

In order to do this, they would need to apply in the normal manner with the following exceptions:

They may only apply for the specialty in which they joined the Associate Judging Program (2.3)

They must either be a licensed clerk, or pass the clerking test with a score of 85% or better. (2.4).

They must have a CFA registered cattery name and must have had 5 years since their first registered litter. (2.5, 2.7, 2.8)

Cattery visits are waived (2.15)

Associates would apply for their second specialty in the regular manner.

Mathis: The Incentive section. [reads] There is no secondary Associate Program.

Anger: I see that the changes have been made to the requirements for the people that want to convert to the regular Judging Program. I'm sort of ambivalent about it, but my objection is that those requirements aren't in place for the China Associate Judges, so I think we should be consistent. Once we get all our areas locked down and people are actually thinking about doing that, perhaps we can make this change across the board so it's fair to everyone. I do understand the board members who provided this input and want this change, but my concern is based on

fairness across the board. I am not in support of that change. **Newkirk:** Rachel, is there a reason we can't put this in the China Associate Program. **Anger:** There's no reason, but it's not there now and it's not proposed to be there.

Guidelines for the CFA Associate Judge Program

The proposal is broken down into five phases:

1. **Primary Breed Education:** *Education in the CFA breed standards for breeds shown in the countries involved.*
2. **Intermediate Education:** *Education in the underlying principles associated with being a CFA judge.*
3. **Practical Education:** *Education on handling the breeds involved.*
4. **Operationalization:** *Participants begin to judge.*
5. ~~**End of Program:** *This would occur when international travel becomes possible for all CFA judges, so that they may be able to judge in these areas again.*~~

Mastin: On page 23, *Guidelines for the CFA Associate Judge Program*, #1 and #3, are those headers correct? It says: *Primary Breed Education- Education*. Or, is it *Primary Breed Education* and then *in the CFA breed standards*? Is there too many "educations" in both of those? That's my question. **Mathis:** Oh, OK. I didn't change anything there. That's how the first proposal was worded. I don't have a problem with removing the second "education" and the dash, if you think that would make it better. **Mastin:** Well, I just think you need to remove the "education" after the dash. That's my opinion. I don't know that it's necessary to have two "educations". **Mathis:** No, you are probably correct. **Newkirk:** Are you making a motion? **Mastin:** I believe so, if that's appropriate. **Perkins:** I'm confused. I'm going to weigh in. I think that's confusing because everything after the dash is the sentence, so if you're going to remove the "education" it would be the one before the dash in all of them, if that makes sense. **Mastin:** Then that's my motion, remove the "education" – whatever Shelly just said. **Newkirk:** Rachel has her hand up. She wants to make a comment here. **Anger:** Thank you. Those are section headings. *Primary Breed Education* is the heading, and then everything after the dash is the description. Perhaps I should have bolded those to set them off a little bit, but there's not a duplication of the word "education." It's just a continuation of the *Primary Breed Education* section. **Newkirk:** Maybe it could be handled by putting a colon instead of a dash. **Anger:** Either way, however. **Mastin:** It doesn't matter to me. I'm just pointing out, maybe something needs to be corrected. **Newkirk:** I can't make a motion. To me, it would make sense to put instead of a dash, put a colon, because what follows the colon amplifies what's before the colon. **Anger:** So moved. **Mastin:** Second. **Newkirk:** So, that part, we are going to change the dashes in those five sections to colons after each introductory word or clause. Is there any discussion on that motion? Pam Moser, do you have a comment about this motion we're going to do? **P. Moser:** No. **Newkirk:** Kenny, do you have a comment about the motion? Cyndy Byrd, do you have a comment about the motion, about adding the colon? **Byrd:** Yes, but I want to add to that, that each of them needs to be parallel, they all need to read the same, so *Primary Breed Education*,

Intermediate Education, no dash, and so on. **Newkirk:** OK. Cyndy, how would you like #2 to be? Read how it should be. **Byrd:** I would say #1 would be *Primary Breed Education*, #2 would be *Intermediate Education* and then your colon. #3 *Practical Education* colon. *Operationalization*, colon. *End of Program*, colon. **Newkirk:** Yeah, well, that's what we were doing, except #2 the dash I think is in the wrong spot. I think #2 should read *Intermediate Education*: and then *Education in the underlying principles associated with being a CFA judge*. Does that make sense? Cyndy? **Byrd:** Yes, it does. **Newkirk:** OK, Rich and Rachel, are you OK with the hyphen between *Intermediate Education* and put a colon after *Education* and then insert the words *Education in the underlying principles associated with being a CFA judge*. Are you both OK with that change? **Anger:** Yes. **Mastin:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. So, is there any further discussion on this amendment to the proposal? Seeing nobody's hands up, is there any objection to the motion? Seeing no objection, no hands being raised, by unanimous consent that change is adopted.

The amendment to the main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Rich, next? **Mastin:** My last one is #5, and I will read it. **End of Program:** *This would occur when international travel becomes possible for all* – and I'm going to point out the word "all" – *CFA judges, so that they may be able to judge in these areas again*. Is the Committee really committed to wanting to wait until international travel becomes possible for all CFA judges to end the program? If not, you want to give yourself some flexibility on this, I think. **Mathis:** You're right, I didn't think of that. Thank you. **Mastin:** I don't have a recommendation on how to change it. I'm just pointing it out. Maybe somebody else wants to make a motion. **DelaBar:** I actually would like to see #5 disappear, and leave the discretion to the board on when they want to get rid of the Associate Program. What I was going to say was going into some history, but never mind. **Newkirk:** Is that part on the screen right now, Allene? I'm trying to figure out where Rich is reading that. **Mastin:** It's #5. **Tartaglia:** Right here. **Newkirk:** Got it, got it. OK. **Mathis:** Can we just remove the word "all"? **Newkirk:** I think that would work, Anne. That's what I was going to suggest. Rich, do you want to make the motion if you are OK with that? **Mastin:** I believe so. Let me read it. **End of Program:** *This would occur when international travel becomes possible for ~~all~~ CFA judges, so that they may be able to judge in these areas again*. I think that makes sense. That's my motion. **Newkirk:** OK, I need a second. **Anger:** Rachel seconds, with the right to vote no, because I'm going to amend that motion. **Newkirk:** Before we have a second, suggest your wording changes to Rich so we don't have to amend an amendment. Go ahead, Rachel. **Anger:** I would love to, thank you. I am with Pam. I would like to see it removed in its entirety. The reason it's there is, this came over from the China Associate Judge Program, which we adopted as an ultimate emergency measure, so that we could stay alive in China. This Program, to me, has gone over so well and has been so successful that I don't see why it should have an end. This is designed to provide judges for areas where we are having trouble getting into right now. Are we always going to have trouble getting into some of these areas? You bet. These clubs are really strapped, flying in judges from the U.S. and even other parts of the world that are closer than we are. So, my suggestion is to remove #5 in its entirety, keep it open ended, and if we want to change it at some future time, then we can do that. **Mastin:** I will withdraw my motion. **Newkirk:** OK. So Rachel, you want to make your motion? **Anger:** I move that we strike #5, **End of Program**. **DelaBar:** Second. **Newkirk:** Thank you Pam DelaBar.

Krzanowski: I was just going to agree with what Pam and Rachel both said. I think this Program has a lot of promise and could be useful even when international travel is possible again. There are many areas of CFA that are underserved by judges at the current time. The expense is extraordinary for some of these clubs, so I believe that it should be up to the board as to when we might want to consider terminating the program. **Newkirk:** Thank you.

Eigenhauser: A couple of different things. First, I think we should distinguish between terminating accepting new applicants into the Program, and terminating the people who have already been accepted in the Program. When we have travel again, are we going to suddenly decertify – or whatever we’re going to call the process – all the people who are already in the Program, or are we simply going to stop taking new applicants? I’m not sure which was intended in that. I would also point out that there’s a section 5 down below (**Phase 5: End of Program**) that we should probably be talking about if we’re going to take that out of here, as well.

Newkirk: Rachel, do you want to amend your motion to strike out both? **Eigenhauser:** I don’t think the section 5 below is necessarily inconsistent, but it should probably be renamed. The Section 5 below, **Phase 5: End of Program**, just change the title to *Transition Into Regular Judging* or something like that, because that’s really what it’s intended to cover. **Newkirk:** I get it. You’re talking about the highlighted **Phase 5: End of Program**. **Eigenhauser:** Exactly.

Newkirk: Got it. Rachel or somebody, do you want to rename that so that we can handle – let’s take the first one. Let’s take the one up above first. Rachel’s motion is to strike #5, Pam has seconded it. Rachel, do you want to make additional comments? **Anger:** No, but we will take the heading of that other section separately, correct? **Newkirk:** Yes, correct. So, is there any further discussion on striking from the proposal item 5, **End of Program: This would occur when international travel becomes possible for all CFA judges, so that they may be able to judge in these areas again**. Any further discussion on that? Is there any objection to Rachel and Pam’s motion to strike that from the proposal? Seeing no objection, that is stricken from the proposal.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Phase 1: Primary Breed Education

At the time an applicant submits an application to join the program, they will indicate a SH or LH training path. This means that once they have moved to Phase 4, they will be licensed as a “CFA Associate Judge”, and will be licensed to judge only in that specialty in the area involved. They will be called “trainees” at that point.

Breeds will be clustered in groups of similar body type for educational purposes. For example, Persian/Exotic, Siamese based breeds, Abyssinian/Egyptian Mau, etc.

One breed cluster a week will be covered with the trainees, using the Zoom platform, by the coaches. Before the next cluster is covered, the trainees will submit the post test to the chair of the program.

The process will continue until all the breeds are covered in each specialty group. Note that breeds not shown in the area have been removed. Trainees would be expected to learn those additional breeds in Phase 5-End of Program.

For LH trainees, there will be four clusters with one week assigned for each:

1. *Persian/Exotic*
2. *Birman/Ragdoll/Ragamuffin*
3. *Maine Coon Cat/Norwegian Forest Cat/Siberian*
4. *American Curl/Turkish Angora*

For SH trainees, there will be 5 clusters with one week assigned for each:

1. *American Shorthair/British Shorthair/Selkirk Rex/Cornish Rex/Devon Rex/Scottish Fold*
2. *Bombay/Burmese/European Burmese/Korat/Tonkinese*
3. *Abyssinian/Somali/La Perm/Ocicat/Havana Brown/Japanese Bobtail/Russian Blue/Singapura/Sphynx*
4. *Siamese/Colorpoint Shorthair/Oriental/Bengal*
5. *Khao Manee/Lykoi/ToyBob*

Phase 2: Intermediate- Education in the underlying principles associated with being a CFA Judge

In addition to breed education, participants will attend Zoom sessions that cover the following topics. Information to be covered will be:

1. *Colors and Patterns in the Pedigreed Cat/Condition, Standards, and Structure*
2. *Managing Your Judging Ring and Handling the Pedigreed Show Cat/ How to Mark a Judge's Book*
3. *Ethics and Etiquette in the Judging Ring/ Psychology of Judging*

Phase 3: Practical Education-Handling Cats Live

At the completion of the breed and intermediate training, trainees will participate in Zoom sessions designed to train basic handling skills. This will be broken down over several weeks.

1. *Trainees will attend a Zoom session in which they will view clips for the individual breeds in which CFA judges, breed council secretaries, or experienced exhibitors demonstrate how to handle their specific breed.*
2. *Trainees will present to the coaches in a Zoom session handling cats that they own. They will demonstrate how they would evaluate the cat in class judging, and how they would present in a final.*

3. Trainees will demonstrate themselves handling cats they do not own, particularly those with different body and head structure. Again, they will demonstrate evaluation and presentation.

Ideally, a group training session with a CFA Allbreed judge will be conducted live, but we understand that may not be possible.

Phase 4: Operationalization

It is ~~preferred~~ required that any licensed show have at least one licensed CFA Judge who will be designated the Lead Judge for that show. The lead judge will be available for questions and advice. The Lead judge can also conduct a group session the night before the show to go over expectations, paperwork requirements, and logistics. If possible, the club will be asked to provide judge's books prior to that session. The Lead Judge will also conduct an in-ring session prior to the start of the show to provide a ribbon and ring management review. If a licensed judge is not available at this show, an online session could be substituted for this session.

The exception to this only occurs if government travel restrictions make this impossible. In that case, the evening session would be conducted via Zoom or similar manner.

Associate Judges will be asked to have clubs fill out evaluations. These should be returned to the Committee Chair. We also wish to have their early sessions videotaped, so that feedback can be provided.

Mathis: In Phase 4, I changed that it is required to have a CFA-licensed judge at the designated lead judge for that show. *The exception to this only occurs if government travel restrictions make this impossible. In that case, the evening session would be conducted via Zoom or similar manner.* On the next page, that's the same thing. The only exception to having a licensed judge in attendance would be if governmental restrictions – travel restrictions – prohibit that. So, those are the changes.

Phase 5: ~~End of Program~~ Transition to Regular Judging Program

If an Associate wishes to proceed into the regular judging program ~~at the conclusion of this program~~, they will need to have a minimum of 15 successful evaluations on files, and will proceed into the regular program following the guidelines set up by the CFA Judging Committee.

Newkirk: Now Rachel, let's go to **Phase 5: End of Program**. **Anger:** Yes. I move that we change the name to **Phase 5: Transition to Regular Judging Program**. **Newkirk:** Is there a second on that? **Eigenhauser:** George will second, but there's also a discussion in the body, at the conclusion of this program should probably be removed, as well. **Newkirk:** Yes, OK. **Anger:** I would like to include that in my motion please. **Newkirk:** I think you can just remove the clause, at the conclusion of this program and the sentence would read OK. **Eigenhauser:** That is my suggestion. **Anger:** I would like that included in the motion, please. **Eigenhauser:** I would like that included in the second. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal. Great work, guys.

P. Moser: I'm confused. We're talking about the end of the program, right? **Newkirk:** *Phase 5: End of Program.* **P. Moser:** Right, so to me you have conflicting issues. Rachel had suggested before on that part that was put in that they have to go back afterwards and go in to apply as a regular judge, and this one here is different. It's saying that you just go and you become a judge, so there's two different places in this document that are conflicting, to me anyway. **Newkirk:** Any comments on that? **Anger:** Was that in this proposal, Pam, or was that in the Accelerated proposal we were talking about? **P. Moser:** No, no. It's in this one, Rachel. Remember, you came out and said you didn't agree with the change that they had to go back and go through the regular judging application process because it wasn't in the China one? **Anger:** Right. I stated my objection, it got no support and we moved on, so when we adopt the whole thing it will go in. **P. Moser:** That's good, but what that said is conflicting to what this is saying, I think. Am I wrong? **Newkirk:** Actually, I agree with Rachel on that, because I made the comment that we can go back and add that into the China Program. Pam talked about making this a stand-alone that applies to all areas, and then that way it would include China. We don't want to exclude China. We want them to have the same opportunity to transition. I have talked to Anne and Ellyn both numerous times about coming up with a policy for these Associate Judges to transition to regular CFA judge status. I think Anne has accomplished that in this proposal. It can be retroactive or applied – if somebody wants to make a motion, we can do that, but my idea is that when we approve this, that it be system wide. That way, it would cover those people that are in the China Associate Program. **P. Moser:** OK, I understand what you are saying, Darrell, but my objection is that we're going to let these people come in as regular judges when they become Associate Judges. They didn't have to go through the Program like regular judges did, and we're just going to go ahead and say, "OK, you guys have been judging so now you can just transition in and become a judge." **Newkirk:** No. **P. Moser:** I have an objection to that. **Newkirk:** Well, I would too, but that's not what we are doing. **P. Moser:** Why aren't you? It says that. **Newkirk:** No, it's listed what they have to do in order to transition over. **P. Moser:** Right, I understand, but in that transition, where does it say that you have to go back and you have to submit all of the qualifications why you want to become a judge? Where does it say that you have people that are able to go ahead and give comments on whether they agree with this? We're letting all these people be accepted just on our say-so. The people in their regions and everywhere else, they don't have even a chance to comment on these people. We don't know their character. I mean, we know some of these people, but how do we know their character? We're not over there. We're not in that show hall with these people, so we don't know their character. The exhibitors aren't being given a chance to comment on these judges, and that's where I have the problem. **Newkirk:** Did you read under *Incentive*? **P. Moser:** Where is that? I read the whole thing, yes. **Newkirk:** The heading is called *Incentive. These Associates, if they desire, could convert to regular specialty judge status with completion of a minimum of 15 evaluated shows in their specialty, a completed application, and completion of the steps outlined in the Judging Program Rules, with the following adjustments.* Then they've got a whole list of things that they have to do, except cattery visits are waived. **Byrd:** I think there's an easy fix here. If we simply add to the *Phase 5* section, *As noted in the Incentive section,* something like that. **Newkirk:** Pam, would that satisfy you? **P. Moser:** I just want to make sure. This is with China, too, because when we accepted the China judges, this was the same thing, that they had to go back. Just because we're letting them be Associates, they have to go back and apply the regular way. Am I correct? **Newkirk:** Anne or Rachel, do you want to answer that? **Mathis:** If they want to become regular judges who could judge in other countries and go into second

specialty, yes, they have to do the whole thing that's under *Incentive*. **P. Moser:** No, I'm not saying second specialty. I'm saying the specialty they are in now. **Newkirk:** Pam, the original proposal had an incentive program for these people. Now, I don't have that copy with me, but Ellyn and I talked about it when I was talking to them about what steps will they need to take in order to transition into fully-licensed CFA judges. I think Anne took the Incentive program pretty much from that and added a few things. Is that correct, Anne? **Mathis:** The original one said they could come in through the guest judging program. Several objected to that at the last meeting. I have the email from Pam objecting to that, so I had a meeting with Ellyn and with Vicki, as chairs of their portions of the Judging Program, and we changed it to, they have to do an application, they have to do color classes. All they don't have to do are the things listed under *Incentive*. **Newkirk:** They're not just being granted a CFA license, Pam. There are steps they have to take in order to accomplish that. **P. Moser:** OK. It's just my opinion, so I'm done.

Currie: Pam does make some good points. I certainly understand where she is coming from. You know, when this Program was first put out, I objected to it because of what was going on early in this COVID crisis, but we have a different world here and I'm certainly familiar with growing CFA throughout the world. I think that we do need to put some trust into the Judging Program and what they have presented here. We don't want to short shrift those who have already been through the process here in the United States, but then on the other hand we have a business aspect that we have to think about. We could make them continue on with certain criteria that's put out by the CFA Judging Program, but I want to make darn sure that we don't just give them an easy road to the judging ring, but they are getting practical experience. I was very encouraged hearing what they have done so far in mainland China. I agree with Pam DelaBar. I think we should expand this to all regions, including here in the United States for those that are interested.

Anger: With the guest judge portal, there are very clearly set forth requirements that include all these things Pam Moser is requesting. In this particular proposal, it says *following the guidelines set up by the CFA Judging Committee*. That could be interpreted to mean the guidelines that already existing in our rules, or it could be that the Judging Committee is going to set up guidelines, but I would assume they would be the same as those that we already have set up. That's the way I read it. **Krzanowski:** I was one of the board members who was concerned about the incentive originally. I think that Anne and her committee have done a wonderful job addressing those concerns. I think that in Phase 5, I think what's confusing people is that we seem to have two sections here. One is under the heading of the Malaysia, Thailand, that group; then this is just Associate Judging Program guidelines. For Phase 5, it could simply read that they need to meet the incentive requirements, as outlined in whatever section that is going to be in the final rules that we put forward. I think Cyndy Byrd mentioned that. I think that would address the issue. I'm satisfied with the requirements, as they stand.

Morgan: I'm confused, and if I'm confused and I don't know what I'm voting on, I'm not voting on it. While I remain fully supportive of this concept, I still think this proposal and the roll-out is premature and I think this discussion kind of shows us that it still needs some work. I'm really glad to see the response that Anne gave us to providing on-the-job support at the shows has been addressed in this, but I am still not supportive of any of this moving forward if there is no access to at least one CFA judge. I am also not comfortable that I understand what the process is to transfer over to the regular program. I want to clarify from Anne that if they do

transfer, they will come over as trainees and will have color classes, etc., and have to put in an application. I don't think that's clearly spelled out in what we have here. Certainly, I am not comfortable if that is not the case that they aren't going to have color classes and come in as trainees, and I'm not comfortable at all that we're really going to ask from them that transfer over from associate judge to regular judge based primarily on evaluations which we already know are somewhat flawed in terms of the input they give us. That said, if we are going to go forward, I agree with Pam that this should be universal. We can't just pick one area or another, it should apply to everyone globally. I believe the Program has so much promise and it shouldn't be rushed. We need to take the time to have this committee rework this, bring it back as an all-inclusive program. Right now we have make substantive changes, and I'm not comfortable with voting or supporting it, with the fact that I am so incredibly confused. **Newkirk:** Thank you Melanie. I think that Anne has done a great job and I think most things are spelled out here. As I said before, we're just doing a proposal right now. If we want to make this systemwide, that takes a separate motion and I have encouraged Pam to make that motion after we approve this. If we don't approve it, then there's no point in Pam making a motion. Who else wants to make any comments on this?

Newkirk: We've actually wandered off topic here, because we're on changing Phase 5 and a little bit of wording in it. **Mathis:** Can I make a comment, Darrell? **Newkirk:** Yes. **Mathis:** I think the purpose of having an end of program was not – well, it was to make sure that at some point these Associates have to apply and come in the regular way, and they can't continue as Associates forever. At least, that was my understanding. Once travel is possible for other countries to go in, then these Associates have a decision to make. Do they want to apply or at some point we have to tell them, "no, you're done now"? That was my issue with end of program. **Newkirk:** As Carol Krzanowski pointed out, and I have often said, these people that are in the Associate Program that can only judge in their country can serve a purpose into the future. We've got one that doesn't even have a breeding program. That person can still fill a niche in China. Are we going to just say, "oh, you're out"? **Mathis:** That's my question. **DelaBar:** We had judges in the CFA Program that only chose to remain approved in their one particular specialty – not go on to double specialty, not go on to allbreed. We had a program when we started Japan to raise judges not unlike our Associate Program. In fact, our first Japanese judge was Bess Higuchi, and she goes back to 1971, if I remember correctly. When we started the International Division, it started with Europe and we had a special program to get judges going here, also. Those programs went away, but we have now a chance to fill that niche again. We're finding out, especially here in Europe, just how localized, how regionalized we are within one region, when we can't go across a border without a COVID test. We don't know how long this is going to go, but I want CFA to still show a strong presence. This Program gives us a chance. It gives us a chance to have the regional shows. You are going to run into some of the same problems in the U.S. in some areas where they are not allowing people to go from one state to another state. This fills a need for us and that's why I hope that people will look at this and promote this Program and approve it. **Newkirk:** I agree with you, Pam. This is something that Anne did, brought back to us.

Newkirk: Let's focus back on **Phase 5** and the motion we have about those changes. Rachel, can you read us what the changes are for your proposal, please? I've forgotten now what it was. **Anger:** We are changing the name to **Phase 5: Transition to Regular Judging Program** and then we are striking the language, *at the conclusion of this program*. **Newkirk:** Anyone have

any other comments on that particular amendment? Is there any objection to that amendment? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, that is adopted.

The secondary amendment to the main motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

General:

The lesson plan will have dates assigned and graduation date will be pre-determined so clubs will have an idea of when they can expect to have available judges.

Phase 1 and 2 may run concurrently at the discretion of the training administrator.

It is required that clubs hire a licensed CFA judge at the shows where Associates will be judging, but if government travel restrictions prevent this, the Friday session may be held via Zoom or similar online platform. See Phase 4.

If CFA Judges from other areas become available for training, live in-person training may be substituted at any time.

Board Action Item:

Effective immediately, adopt the Associate Program, as presented. The committee will be renamed “the CFA Associate Judge Committee.”

Newkirk: Anybody else have any other proposed [changes] to this Program that is presented? So, we have made a lot of amendments. I’m going to call the motion to approve this Program, as amended. So, does anyone have any comments about the amended proposal for the Associate Judging Program? I’ll call it the CFA Associate Judging Program. Is there any objection to the acceptance – well, I’ll call the vote because I know Melanie said she is going to vote no. All those in favor, please raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan, B. Moser, P. Moser, Colilla, Calhoun and McCullough voting no.

Newkirk: The yes votes are George Eigenhauser, Pam DelaBar, Rachel Anger, Cyndy Byrd, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Sharon Roy, Hayata-san, Rich Mastin, Cathy Dunham, Kenny Currle. Anyone else a yes? If you will take your hands down. The no votes are Melanie Morgan, Brian Moser, Pam Moser, John Colilla, Kathy Calhoun, Steve McCullough. Rachel, when you calculate the votes, if you will announce the vote. **Anger:** We have 11 yes votes, 6 no votes, no abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK thank you. The motion is ratified.

Newkirk: Pam DelaBar, do you wish to make a motion that this Program be adopted system wide and retroactively include what’s in the proposal to apply to China? **DelaBar:** What you said. My motion is to make this the CFA Associate Judge Program, retroactive to include the Associate Judges in China, and to be applicable to all of CFA. **Morgan:** Morgan seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Melanie. **Mastin:** Maybe we need to talk about it. I’m not sure that it’s required systemwide. I would be comfortable that we just add Europe to what’s already been approved. I think maybe there needs to be some fine tuning to what we have, to make it

systemwide. **Newkirk:** Rich, we need to encompass China. **Mastin:** OK. I thought they were already included. **Newkirk:** They aren't, because we called this the Malaysia, China [sic, Indonesia], Thailand, Singapore program, and so what we're trying to do now is to make this so that we grandfather in the China Associate Program. **Mastin:** I don't have any objections to that. I thought China was already all set, but if we need to include them in this program as well, then we should include them along with Europe. **Newkirk:** Part of the motion is to bring them in and apply to other areas, as needed. **Mastin:** That's the motion? Apply to other areas, as needed? **Newkirk:** Pam talked about – go ahead, Pam. I'll let you explain it. **DelaBar:** It's a CFA program. When we want to bring in certain areas, Anne has to tailor to the program. We have to get applicants in from the program. Right now, we know that the next area that is going to be addressed is going to be Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Singapore. We know that that is going to be the next one. Hopefully, the one after that is going to be Europe; but, be that as it may, it's a CFA program and we would open it to different areas as the need arises. As I said, we know. We have already identified where it's going to be next. If it's going to be in Europe next, Anne needs to develop the instructors, definitely, of who is going to be able to do this. So, that's why it needs to be CFA total, just like we have our Judging Program total. **Mastin:** Thank you for that clarification, Pam. **Newkirk:** Do you have further comments, Rich? **Mastin:** No.

Currle: I would like again to reiterate, I have had discussions in many areas of the International Division, but also feel that this program, if we can just blanket it to all of CFA in all areas of the world, I think would be a tremendous help for our expansion on a business sense in a case-by-case basis. That's the motion I would like to see put forward. **Newkirk:** That's what Pam's motion is. **Currle:** She was kind of specific about Europe. **Newkirk:** No. **DelaBar:** No. **Newkirk:** She wasn't, Kenny. She said to change this to the CFA Associate Judging Program. She wants Europe to be the one to follow the southeast Asia group. **Anger:** Systemwide. **P. Moser:** I didn't take it that way. Rachel, can you re-read what Pam stated as the motion? **Anger:** Pam, do you want to restate it. I have the word "systemwide" that was the defining word. **DelaBar:** Yes. CFA-wide. This is a CFA-wide program. This is the CFA Associate Judge Program. **P. Moser:** OK, so does that encompass – I agree with Kenny. This should encompass everybody. **DelaBar:** It does. **P. Moser:** Well, wait a minute. But what Pam is stating is that we're going to take these first and then we're going to move to Europe. I think you can't have it that way. You have to encompass everybody, and everybody has to have the same opportunity as we're giving somebody else. That means if it's in the U.S., it needs to be in the U.S., because to me this is a total short cut and so if that's the case everybody should be allowed to do this. **DelaBar:** I agree, I agree. All I want to do is change the name and the – **Newkirk:** That's what the motion is – CFA-wide Associate Judging Program. That's what the motion is. Is that correct, Pam? **DelaBar:** That is very correct. **Newkirk:** OK. Do you have anything about the name change of the Program, Pam Moser? **P. Moser:** No. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you so much. Is there any further discussion on the name change? We're over an hour behind, so I want to get this taken care of so we can move forward. Is there any objection to Pam's amendment to changing the name of the Program? Do we need to make a separate motion to bring China in, to comply with this? **DelaBar:** I would do so, if it needs to be another motion. I'm sorry, I did. I said this will be retroactive to include China. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. Pam Moser, are you OK with that, since she is further clarifying her motion? **P. Moser:** Just as long as anybody can apply, I'm good. **Newkirk:** OK. Well, it's going to be up to the Associate – well, we have to change Anne's title to Associate Judge Chair. It will be up to them if they want to do this area-specific or if they just want to do a blanket thing and let everybody – because Hong Kong is very interested in this

Program, too, just to make that clear. Alright, so I'm going to call the motion to change the name and make it retroactive to include China. So, everybody in favor raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Newkirk: The yes votes are Kathy Calhoun, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Pam DelaBar, Steve McCullough, Rachel Anger, Cyndy Byrd, Hayata-san, Cathy Dunham, George Eigenhauser, Rich Mastin, Brian Moser, Kenny Currle, Melanie Morgan, John Colilla and Pam Moser. If you people will please remove your hands. The no votes are – I don't see any no votes. Any abstentions? I don't see any abstentions. Rachel, will you announce the votes when you calculate it? **Anger:** We have 16 yes votes. Just a note that Sharon Roy had to leave the meeting, so we only have the 16 voting participants, in addition to the President. **Newkirk:** Thank you so much Rachel. I appreciate that.

Time Frame:

We ask that the Board grant approval to begin this second phase immediately.



At the February 2021 CFA Board Meeting, a proposal was approved by the Board of Directors to open the Associate Judging Program to other areas of the world. The next phase (Team Two) will include candidates from Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, and Thailand.

If you live in any of those areas and are interested in applying for this program, we invite you to request an application and submit it by March 28, 2021.

Please contact Anne Mathis at annekevinmathis@gmail.com to receive an application.

What Will Be Presented the Next Meeting:

Assuming approval is granted to begin this phase, applicants selected by the committee will be presented to the Board for their approval.

*Respectfully submitted,
Anne Mathis, Chair*

BAOS Report

Committee Chair: **Barbara Jaeger** (Barbara.jaeger911@gmail.com)

The BAOS Committee is in the process of scheduling a second On-line Breed Awareness and Orientation School for the first part of April 2021.

It has been decided that this school would again be held in English, but this time will be held in a European Time Zone. After some discussions, the Belgium time zone would likely be the best candidate. If there are current CFA judges in need of continuing education points, this would benefit them also.

The current instructors include Pam DelaBar, Peter Vanwonderghem, Anne Mathis and hopefully Vicki Nye. Both Pam and Peter have acted in the capacity of instructors for the BAOS in the past.

There is minimal financial outlay to put on a school via Zoom. The only costs are for instructor fees and those costs were included in the CFA budget. It is intended to retain the current fee structure.

Instructor invitations and the school flyer will be completed and distributed shortly.

*Respectfully,
Barbara Jaeger, Chair
Breed Awareness and Orientation School
Barbara.jaeger911@gmail.com*

Newkirk: Is there anything else from the Judging Program that we can discuss in open session? Barb Jaeger is not here but she presented a report. **Morgan:** On the BAOS, since we are doing it online, I am curious. I know Barb is not here, but maybe someone can answer this. Why would we charge the full amount that we normally charge for that? It doesn't seem fair. We should be encouraging people to attend this and not providing barriers to it. Our overall costs are significantly decreased when we do it virtually. **Anger:** Can we promote Loretta? She is prepared to speak. **Newkirk:** Oh, is she? Is she on? I didn't know she was on. I'm sorry, Loretta. Allene, can you bring Loretta in? **Tartaglia:** She is in. **Newkirk:** Good deal. Hi Loretta.

Baugh: The dates for the April BAOS in Belgium time zone is April 9, 10 and 11. This is a Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Pam and Peter both felt that people would be much happier doing that type of thing, rather than taking two days out of work. I do have a statement to talk about the fee. **Newkirk:** Go ahead. That's what is questioned. **Baugh:** Schools are supposed to be self-sufficient and budgets are created to assure a positive outcome. If too few students register, several of the schools have been cancelled. The last face-to-face class that we had was in Cleveland. The registration fee was \$275, with a cost of \$150 for our judges. The virtual school we held last fall was lowered in cost to \$200 and \$100, respectively. Students in the virtual school do not have the cost associated with travel and accommodations, and have the luxury of taking the course at home; thus, the virtual school is considerably less costly. When Pat

Jacobberger, Barb Jaeger and I discussed what would be appropriate for the school last fall, we took a number of things into consideration. Our cost would be less than normal, but it isn't and it shouldn't be about profit or loss – it's about education. The material for the schools is the intellectual property of CFA. It's difficult to assess the value of that property, but that value must be considered. With the exception of the handling portion, which we are still trying to address, the students receive the exact, same material that has been presented in the face-to-face schools. Presenting the information online does not devalue that information. Colleges and universities have not reduced their tuition costs when a class has been presented online. Students are purchasing a commodity and they receive the same amount of incredible information, updated training resources, PowerPoint breed workshop presentations that are theirs to download and keep as reference material for as long as they wish. Our decision last fall was based on the strong belief in protecting the value of that data. The records were put together by many hands – the Judging Program Committee, training judges, CFA judges, the CFA Central Office, Breed Council Secretaries and many talented, experienced folks working for the best interests of CFA and the judging panel. The Judging Program Chairs unanimously support the use of the same schedule that we had last year. The main line is, it's not about profit, it's about the value of what we present. Also, we feel it would be a disservice to the people that have paid the fee that we have usually done for that type of information, to lower it down to less than half negates the value of the entire process. Thank you for your time. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much, Loretta.

DelaBar: The question of the fee was brought up by me to Barb Jaeger actually yesterday. Of course, Loretta just came back with an answer to that. I have approximately 28 people interested in the online BAOS in Europe. With the systemwide now of the Associate Judge Program, it could even be higher. People in Europe have been, should we say, employment challenged for longer than the U.S. has been because of COVID. In the past, Region 9 has been able to subsidize getting our people to attend the BAOS. I can't do that right now. We have not had the fundraisers and everything that we would be able to have. Our two students that we had in October, I paid their tuition. I would like to see a further reduction. One, we have five instructors and not one of us has any hotel, has any food problems, has any transportation. All of those costs are gone. The intellectual value of the course, yes definitely, but that's what we're trying to do to raise CFA in Europe. I think 28 would be a phenomenal amount of people to have for one of our BAOS, especially if we're able to do it online and on Europe time. I would like to see the cost reduced for everybody across the board for these online courses, because you don't have the cost associated with your instructors and what we usually see. It's a download, it's a download. When you think that most of these people are taking this course as a second or third language makes it even more difficult, but it shows the enthusiasm that is still prevalent in Europe. I'm trying to find a way to keep people engaged, as we're seeing them go away slowly, especially on our discussion lists, on even the CFA unofficial discussion list. We're seeing less and less conversation and communication. We've got to keep people. I want to grab them, I want to keep them, I want to make it affordable to keep them. They already have to take, if they are employed, one day off work. Sometimes it's a day and a half, because in Europe Saturday is a normal work day, at least a half a normal work day. So, I would like the board to consider a reduction for these online courses across the board for everybody.

Eigenhauser: First, I agree with everything Pam said. I think we should look at this from a slightly different point of view. Yes, these courses have value and we ought to be able to recoup that value, but there's also value in getting this information out. It benefits CFA for

people to take these courses, because these are the potential judges and judging applicants of the future. Even people that aren't going to get into judging, it's better if people understand how CFA works and know how CFA works better. So, it isn't just a matter of, "this is worth \$X and we need to get that money back," it is a benefit to CFA to get this information out there, so we shouldn't look at this as a way to make money. We should do it more as a cost-recovery thing and if we can get more people engaged when we do it online, that definitely reduces the cost, so we should reconsider. I agree with lowering the amount across the board for everyone. **Calhoun:** You might be surprised, but I am in complete agreement with a reduction beyond what has already been put in place. **Newkirk:** Oh, my God! History has been made. **Calhoun:** What I would like to volunteer to do, if the group would like, to work with Barb and Loretta. This month, in the month of February, get on a call and come up with an amount that's not zero but not where we are today, and come back either via email or some quick method to get approval through the board, so we can have it in place for the April group and work with them on that. I would be more than happy to do that if it would be beneficial. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kathy for volunteering to do that. **Morgan:** I think that would be great if Kathy does, because I agree. We really do, I think, need to readdress the fee structure when we're looking at virtual. George is exactly right. We need to be encouraging people to stay involved and to just stay active. On the other hand, there is certainly a value and I understand exactly where Loretta is coming from, as well. We don't want to give this away because there is a value to it, so it shouldn't be nothing but I don't think it should be the full price. **DelaBar:** I was just going to say, Kathy please don't make this an urgent thing that we have to bring up in the middle of the month. **Calhoun:** It won't require another meeting. **DelaBar:** OK. **Newkirk:** We can do this by online vote. It sounds like everybody is going to be supportive of it. As you know, if it's unanimous consent we can ratify that – just ratify the vote at the next in-person meeting.

Newkirk: Loretta, did you want to make any closing comments? **Baugh:** Yes. I'm not opposed to that. The thing I'm worried about is, I hate to go from \$275 for face-to-face down to \$100, which is what Pam is looking for. I'm sure that Barbara and the rest of us on the Committee would agree to a lower cost, but I think the best idea is to work with Kathy and come up with something that would be amenable. The other suggestion was that possibly we have a staggered cost, for people that are just interested in the presentations and not interested in applying. I will say, we had 37 people at the October school. **Newkirk:** Thank you for that information. OK, we'll look forward to Kathy either bringing an online motion or bringing this back in April.

DelaBar: Darrell, there was one other thing that came up at my last Zoom meeting with my region, and that was possibly, Loretta if you could please take back a staggered online course, to where it would be like the first weekend it would be a Saturday, the second weekend a Saturday. Take the three days over three weeks and have it one day the general and then the next week they would have their breed break-outs. If you could possibly take that back, Loretta, it would be cool. **Baugh:** That would be fine. The only thing, Barbara did mention to me, her concern was that we lose continuity. I don't have a problem with considering it. My biggest concern would be the availability of the training people. **Newkirk:** OK. Good things to work on, guys. **Baugh:** I just want to say, I think what you did, the last thing about the Associate Program, is huge. That's a huge step for CFA. I want to thank everybody for their support in that. It's great. **Newkirk:** Thank you so much, Loretta.

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Newkirk: Shall we take a 5 minute break? I will entertain a motion for that. **DelaBar:** So moved. **Anger:** Rachel seconds. **Newkirk:** Hearing no objection, we will meet back in 5 minutes. It's 10:17 on my clock, so 5 minutes will be 10:22.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

(6) TREASURER'S REPORT.

Treasurer Kathy Calhoun gave the following report:

MAY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020

Key Financial Indicators

Balance Sheet

CFA maintains a strong balance sheet with assets outweighing liabilities.

Profit and Loss Analysis

Total registration, which includes litter registration and individual registration, contributed \$769,324.00 to the bottom line. This represents a 7.52% reduction compared to the same period last year.

	May - Dec, 2020	May - Dec, 2019 (PY)	Change	% Change
Total Litter Registrations	\$260,262	\$278,011	(\$17,749)	-6.38%
Total Individual Registrations	\$509,062	\$553,876	(\$44,814)	-8.09%
Total Registrations	\$769,324	\$831,887	(\$62,563)	-7.52%

Newkirk: We will move on to Order #6, which is the Treasurer's Report. **Calhoun:** OK, are we ready? **Newkirk:** Yeah. Kathy, you are recognized. **Calhoun:** Thank you. Good day everyone. I'm going to review the Treasurer's Report at a high level, trusting that all the board members have read the report, and the report will be available publicly. I think we need to scroll down on the screen, Allene. **Newkirk:** She may not be back. **Calhoun:** I can continue. **Newkirk:** OK, go ahead. **Calhoun:** From an income perspective, registration is down 7-1/2%, which is consistent with past reporting. Our income revenue sources – in particular, those associated with registration and shows – are down due to the pandemic. Overall income is down 14%.

Other Key Indicators:

Additional key performance indicators are captured in the following summary.

	May - Dec, 2020	May - Dec, 2019 (PY)	Change	% Change
HHP / CCW - \$13	\$3,155	\$4,138	(\$983)	-23.76%
Championship Confirmation - \$15	\$6,949	\$34,840	(\$27,891)	-80.05%
Club Dues	\$27,680	\$33,960	(\$6,280)	-18.49%
Breed Council Dues	\$40,285	\$26,865	\$13,420	49.95%
Certified Pedigrees	\$86,900	\$97,264	(\$10,364)	-10.66%
Registration via Pedigree - \$40	\$42,367	\$60,794	(\$18,427)	-30.31%
Expedited Services & Fees - \$25	\$30,002	\$42,264	(\$12,262)	-29.01%

Judging School Income	\$6,200	\$2,950	\$3,250	110.17%
Show License Fees	\$3,150	\$27,125	(\$23,975)	-88.39%
Show Entry Surcharge	\$3,317	\$40,659	(\$37,342)	-91.84%
Show Insurance	\$3,600	\$21,000	(\$17,400)	-82.86%

The majority of the negative changes are due to the ongoing pandemic.

Club dues are lower primarily due to the practice that clubs often pay club dues, in advance, when they license a show. While clubs are likely to pay their dues, without the incentive of licensing a show, the payment may be realized closer to the annual due date.

Breed council dues are inflated from a comparison perspective because we are currently allowing members to pay dues for two years. This was not the case in the prior year. Breed council dues pre-paid for 2021 is \$10,400 and is included in the reported total for this category.

Total Ordinary Income contributed \$1,366,141 to the bottom line compared to \$1,587,562 the prior year. This represents a 13.95% reduction.

Publications

Almanac (Cat Talk, Newsletters, and the White Pages): Income and expenses were lower than prior year 32% and 20%, respectively.

The reduction in income is driven by a 23% reduction in subscriptions and a 70% reduction in commercial ads.

Almanac	May - Dec, 2020	May - Dec, 2019 (PY)	Change
Income	\$28,116	\$41,456	(\$13,340)
Expenses	\$30,693	\$38,554	(\$7,861)
Net Income	(\$2,577)	\$2,902	(\$5,479)

Yearbook	May - Dec, 2020	May - Dec, 2019 (PY)	Change
Income	\$35,117	\$25,877	\$9,240
Expenses	\$33,017	\$24,688	\$8,329
Net Income	\$2,099	\$1,188	\$911

Marketing: YTD income increased 91.06% compared to prior year which is primarily due to Meowry Hour sponsorship. Expenses have decreased 4.76% primarily driven by advertising and contracted labor.

Central Office: Expenses for this review period declined \$214,050 compared to prior year.

	May - Dec, 2020	May - Dec, 2019 (PY)	Change	% Change
Payroll- C.O. Staff	\$358,285	\$483,954	(\$125,669)	-25.97%

Contract Labor	\$36,378	\$41,348	(\$4,970)	-12.02%
Phone	\$3,875	\$1,639	\$2,236	136.41%
Depreciation-All	\$18,244	\$36,625	(\$18,381)	-50.19%
Amortized Cost of Software	\$32,116	\$6,383	\$25,733	403.12%
Office Supplies/Expense	\$6,409	\$10,344	(\$3,935)	-38.04%
Printing Supplies/Expense	\$10,286	\$40,818	(\$30,531)	-74.80%
Taxes, Payroll	\$33,148	\$39,824	(\$6,676)	-16.76%
Credit Card Fees	\$79,725	\$65,795	\$13,931	21.17%
Professional Fees - Accountant	\$14,388		\$14,388	
Professional Fees - Legal	\$8,834	\$4,051	\$4,783	118.07%

Most of the expense reductions are due to the ongoing pandemic. It is notable that the process for determining credit card fees is being evaluated.

Computer Expense: Expenses are 20% more than prior year largely due to data storage costs. Central Office is reviewing the possibilities of archiving files that are not frequently used which will reduce storage costs. Those files will still be accessible.

CFA Programs: Expenses for this review period are significantly lower than prior year. The major contributor is lower disbursements of funds to sponsor shows.

Corporate Expense: Expenses are \$18,378 lower than prior year largely driven by significant reductions in Board Meeting expense due to moving in person board meetings to the ZOOM platform

Legislative Expense: Increases in this category is due to timing. This category remains on budget.

The Bottom Line

	May - Dec, 2020	May - Dec, 2019 (PY)	Change
Income	\$1,456,769.42	\$1,983,309.08	(\$526,539.66)
Expenses	\$1,307,154.65	\$1,972,864.58	(\$665,709.93)
Net Operating Income	\$149,614.77	\$10,444.50	\$139,170.27
Other Income			
Interest Income	\$6,394.58	\$10,811.97	(\$4,417.39)
Rental Income	\$11,000.00	\$17,600.00	(\$6,600.00)
Unrealized Gain/Loss	\$215,053.57	\$93,479.36	\$121,574.21
Total Other Income	\$232,448.15	\$121,891.33	\$110,556.82
Net Income	\$382,062.92	\$132,335.83	\$249,727.09

The Bottom Line: May through December 2020 ~ CFA realized a profit of \$382,062.92!

Calhoun: CFA has done a notable job of offsetting these declines in revenue with significant declines in expenses. The Central Office expenses are down \$214,000, largely driven by changes in staffing and furloughs earlier this fiscal year. Net operating income is \$149,614. In addition, investments have done remarkably well under the guidance of the Finance Committee, led by Rich Mastin, reflecting a gain of \$215,000. So, considering the positive net operating position, investments, and a few other line items in my report, I am pleased to advise that in the May through December 2020 timeframe, CFA realized a profit of \$382,000, which is notable.

Newkirk: That's pretty good. **Calhoun:** Pretty good.

Calhoun: Are there any questions? **Newkirk:** Anybody have any questions? **Anger:** Not really a question. I just want to remark how amazing it is that we are in this strong a financial position, when many businesses have not been able to maintain. We are very blessed to have a devoted fancy that supports our association, and a phenomenal financial team that watches over every penny. Thank you guys, you're awesome! **Newkirk:** Yes, you are to be congratulated. That's wonderful. Any other questions or comments? Thank you Kathy for that wonderful report.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Calhoun, CFA Treasurer*

(7) **AUDIT COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: Kathy Calhoun
List of Committee Members: Rich Mastin, Allene Tartaglia, Kathy Calhoun

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The audit firm of Maloney + Novotny LLC was engaged to conduct a financial audit on June 15, 2020. The audit was subsequently performed with the final audit and management letter created on September 28, 2020. The audit report and management comments were received after the deadline for October Board Reports and, therefore, deferred to the February Board meeting.

The qualitative aspects of accounting practices from the perspective of the financial statement were found to be neutral, consistent, and clear.

No difficulties were encountered in dealing with management performing the audit.

Six journal entries were made correcting misstatements and are included in the audit documentation in File Vista.

No disagreements with management relative to financial accounting, reporting or audit manor arose during the audit.

No additional audit firms were engaged.

Newkirk: The Audit Committee is your committee. That's up next. **Calhoun:** The audit of the 2019-2020 fiscal year was successfully completed and reported on September 29, 2020. The audit firm is *Maloney + Novotny LLC*. It should be noted that the auditor working with CFA to close several months in the fiscal year being audited was not used for the audit, to avoid any conflict of interest or prejudices. The auditor – her name is Rachel Peters – found no difficulties or concerns. There were six journal entries that were reflected in the financials and reported. The opinion of the audit firm is that financial statements, practices and principles for the audit period are in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Opinions and Recommendations

Maloney + Novotny Opinion

“In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. as of April 30, 2020 and 2019, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.”

Maloney + Novotny Recommendation:

During our audit, we noted that functional expenses are not being allocated in QuickBooks between program, management, and fundraising. We recommend that management implement a procedure to ensure this is being done.

Management Response to Recommendation:

Functional expense categories are being added to QuickBooks at the vendor level which will systematically flow to the line item level.

Calhoun: The recommendation is that functional expenses should be consistently reflected in QuickBooks. The Central Office and the accounting team is standing up a process to add functional categories at the vendor level which will address this recommendation. As a background, functional expense reporting is required by the IRS for 501(c)(3)'s and 503(c)(4)'s. Functional expense reporting is an effective way to report the use of funds.

Current Happenings of Committee:

The auditor's report and management letter in their entirety are available in File Vista.

Future Projections for Committee:

Review and consult with audit firm as needed.

Board Action Items:

None

Time Frame:

Ongoing.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Advise timing of 2020/2021 as available.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Calhoun, Chair*

Calhoun: Are there any questions on the audit? **Newkirk:** Any questions for Kathy on the Audit Report? Kathy, thank you very much for that good report.

(8) DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE.

Committee Chair: Kathy Calhoun
List of Committee Members: Jose Ayala, John Colilla, George Eigenhauser, Wain Harding, Carolyn Jimenez, Kristin Nowell

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The committee met on January 11, 2021 to review the non-discrimination statement and discuss future activities enabling the team to move forward while shows and points of contact are limited.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Non-discrimination Statement

The team reviewed the changes made by Shelly Perkins and Cindy Byrd and are aligned with those changes. The changes suggested are highlighted below with deletions struck through and additions underlined.

"It is the policy of The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. to promote equal participation ~~and ensure equal employment opportunities~~ without discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, national origin or disabilities." The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. is proud to be an equal opportunity employer.

Newkirk: You are next with Order #8, which is the Diversity and Inclusion Committee.
Calhoun: The Committee has focused on incorporating the recommendations made by the Legal Advisory Committee into our statement. At the end of this report, I will request approval of the revisions.

Future Projects for Committee:

The team would like to engage the Regional Directors in this effort. The team will solicit ideas, review plans, and perhaps gain alignment with the Region Directors to identify a point person in each region. A ZOOM meeting will be held on February 17 or 18th at 6:00 pm eastern time with the Regional Directors to discuss. The final date will depend on the availability of the Regional Directors.

The team would also like to engage the Central Office to discuss opportunities to heighten awareness through CFA's Publications and Marketing efforts. A ZOOM meeting will be held on February 24th or 25th at 6:00 pm eastern time. The team will engage the Executive Director to determine attendees from the Central Office. Board liaisons will also be invited.

The team plans to meet on February 9 to prepare for upcoming meetings.

The team also plans to present to the delegation at the June Annual.

Calhoun: The Committee would also like to engage the regional directors in committee efforts. I will be reaching out to the RDs to check availability and to schedule a Zoom meeting, either on February 17th or 18th, depending on availability. In that meeting, we would like to discuss ideas and hopefully gain alignment on establishing a point person in each region to support this ongoing effort. With the engagement of the Executive Director, we will also schedule time with the appropriate people at Central Office so that we can engage at that level.

Board Action Item:

Approve the following non-discrimination statement to be included on the CFA website and other locations as appropriate.

“It is the policy of The Cat Fanciers’ Association, Inc. to promote equal participation without discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, national origin or disabilities. The Cat Fanciers’ Association, Inc. is proud to be an equal opportunity employer.”

Calhoun: With that, I would like to move to the action item, which is to approve the non-discrimination statement to be included on the CFA website and other locations as appropriate. As I stated earlier, the statement was recommended and approved by the Legal Advisory Committee and is as follows. I can read that if you like. **Newkirk:** I would like for you to read it into the minutes. **Calhoun:** OK, will do. *It is the policy of The Cat Fanciers’ Association, Inc. to promote equal participation without discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, national origin or disabilities. The Cat Fanciers’ Association, Inc. is proud to be an equal opportunity employer.* **Eigenhauser:** George will second. **Newkirk:** Is there any discussion? It’s a very well-written policy, Kathy and the Legal Advisory Committee. I don’t see any discussion. Is there any objection to the motion to approve the non-discriminatory statement, as printed in our business orders? **Currle:** I just wanted to thank Kathy for addressing this and for the committee that put this together. It’s a good thing. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny. Is there any objection to the motion to accept the non-discriminatory statement to be published on the website and other places, as needed? I don’t see any hands up, so by unanimous consent the motion is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Thank you very much, Kathy. **Calhoun:** Darrell, the only thing that I would like to just add is that it’s very much appreciated how CFA and this board has embraced this Committee and this decision. I also would like to – we have a very, very enthusiastic and engaged committee, so I would just like to thank all of our committee members, as well. **Newkirk:** We need to get on board with the rest of the country. **Calhoun:** So, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much, Kathy. I appreciate that.

Eigenhauser: One quick thing before we go. **Newkirk:** Go ahead, George.
Eigenhauser: My name is George. In the list of committee members, my first name was omitted.
Calhoun: Oh. My mistake, George. We'll fix that. **Newkirk:** I'll accept a motion. You know how I am about these motions. Alright, anything else? Thanks again, Kathy. Great work.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Calhoun, Chair*

(9) **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: *Rich Mastin*
List of Committee Members: *Kathy Calhoun & Teresa Sweeney*

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

- *Review monthly financial profit & loss statements and balance sheets to previous year's performance and budget.*
- *Review and discuss contractual agreements as presented.*
- *Wells Fargo investment performance review submitted by Joe Crispino (WF financial advisor), see Joe's report included below:*
- *CFA Show Sponsorship Programs:*
 - *Sponsorship Programs Available:*
 - *Regular Show Sponsorship - \$1,000 per club per show up to two shows per year.*
 - *New Show Sponsorship - \$1,000 per club per show, for the first 22 shows, must be a new show added to the schedule, not for club's moving traditional show date.*
 - *In-Conjunction Show Sponsorship - \$1,000 per club per show for the first 12 shows with Board Approval.*
 - *Agility Ring Sponsorship - \$300 per club per show.*
 - *Submit request for sponsorship 30-days in advance of the show, to Melissa Watson at Mwatson@cfa.org*
 - *Club will be notified of approval not long after request is received and prior to the start of show.*
 - *Sponsorship awards will be sent after show's paperwork and entry surcharge fee is received at Central Office.*

Newkirk: Let's move on to Order #9, which is the Finance Committee. Rich Mastin, you're recognized. **Mastin:** Thank you Darrell. Just a few things I want to review quickly. The first thing I included in the report that's important is the different CFA show sponsorship programs. I outline each of them – which programs are available – and I also included Melissa Watson's contact information, so for the Regional Directors, if there are any questions or concerns out there on where to get the information, they can email Melissa directly.

○ *Sponsorships Awarded:*

- *34 Regular Show Sponsorships awarded, for a total of \$26,500 (budgeted \$170,000), with 15 of the 34 shows having cancelled (\$7,500 awarded to those 15 shows/clubs).*
- *Three New Show Sponsorships awarded (two in ID and one in Region 9), for a total of \$3,000 (budgeted \$22,000), no shows are listed as cancelled.*
- *No In-Conjunction Show Sponsorship (budgeted \$12,000), Agility Ring Sponsorship (budgeted \$10,000), or Region 9 Incentive Sponsorship (budgeted \$25,000) has been requested to date.*
- *A combined \$29,500 in sponsorship has been awarded year to date, out of a total combined annual budget of \$239,000. The show cancelations and reduction in shows and sponsorship requests is attributed to Covid-19 global pandemic impacts and restrictions.*

Mastin: The second part that I want to point out is the sponsorships awarded. The information is there. Does anybody have any questions on the show sponsorship programs? OK, very good.

Current Happenings of Committee:

- *Accessible to: Central Office Executive Director, Treasurer (also Budget and Audit Committee Chair) and Legal Counsel.*
- *Review and monitor weekly bank account balances and bi-weekly payroll reports.*
- *Current combined all account balances (including long term investments):*
 - *As of January 29, 2021, is \$2,911,542.83.*
 - *As of February 5, 2021, is \$2,935,396.75.*
- *Current long-term investment balances as of January 29, 2021:*
 - *Synchrony CD is \$334,776.09 (+\$5,913.49 / +1.79% since 5/1/20)*
 - *Wells Fargo 35% stock & 65% bonds is \$1,523,132.89*
 - *Wells Fargo 100% bonds is \$641,537.32*
 - *Combined long-term investments is \$2,499,670.21*
- *Review, discuss and decide what to do with Joe Crispino's recommendation on the Wells Fargo stocks and bonds account allocation blends for 2021.*

Mastin: The next thing I would like to do is add the current account balances as of yesterday, February 5, 2021; that is, \$2,935,396.75. The Wells Fargo 35% stock and 65% bond is

up an additional \$10,350 since this report was written, and the 100% bond account is down roughly \$500.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

- *Updates and changes.*

*Respectfully Submitted,
Rich Mastin, Chair*

Mastin: The last thing I just kind of wanted to quickly point out is the report from Joe Crispino. He's our financial advisor from Wells Fargo. He reports on the annual calendar, not CFA's fiscal, and then also from May 1st to the end of December. Does anybody have any questions on Joe's report? OK Darrell, I'm finished. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal.

Joe Crispino's year to date and 2020 annual Wells Fargo account review –

2020 Year end summary for Original \$1,200,000 Portfolio beginning May 31st, 2017:

- *Portfolio Allocation – Current: 35% Stocks & 65% Bonds*
- *Full Year 2020 Performance January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020:*
 - *Beginning balance January 1st, 2020 - \$1,402,417*
 - *Ending balance December 31st, 2020 - \$1,521,728*
 - *Portfolio returns for the Year 2020 +8.51%*
- *Performance from May 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020:*
 - *Beginning balance May 31st, 2020 - \$1,348,751*
 - *Ending balance December 31st, 2020 - \$1,521,728*
 - *Portfolio return during this period +\$172,977 / +12.82%*

2020 Year end summary for 2ND Account original investment \$600,000 opened June 17th, 2020:

- *Portfolio Allocation – Current 100% Bonds & 0% Stocks*
- *Performance June 17, 2020 - December 31, 2020:*
 - *Beginning balance June 17, 2020 - \$600,000*
 - *Ending balance December 31st, 2020 - \$643,725*
 - *Portfolio returns for the Year 2020 +\$43,725 / +7.56%*

Comments:

- *The larger portfolio (35% stock/65% bonds) is not only diversified between stocks and bonds but also between multiple market sectors. The stock portion of the account is diversified among large cap stocks, small cap stocks, mid cap stocks in addition to international stocks. The international markets have begun to recover from being a lagging sector. Our current exposure is roughly 15% which is where it should be.*
- *As of today's date analysts are expecting a positive year in the stock market for 2021 with the S&P 500 potentially rising 10% or better. This of course assumes the economy and stimulus continue to work out. GDP is expected to rise partly because of stimulus and therefore cause a rise in inflation which would trigger the Fed to raise interest rates by year end. A rise in interest rates could put downward pressure on bond prices.*

Recommendation for 2021:

- *With so much cash still sitting on the side lines waiting to flow back into the market, along with stimulus and a recovering economy in addition to rising interest rates later in the year, the recommendation would be to move toward a stock/bond allocation of 65% stock/35% bonds.*

*Joseph Crispino
Vice President – Investments
Accredited Asset Management Specialist*

(10) **AMBASSADOR CAT COMMITTEE.**

Committee Co-Chairs: ***Karen Lane and Joel Chaney***
Liaison: ***Rich Mastin***

Newkirk: Next is the Ambassador Cat Committee. We don't have a report from them. Did you want to make any comments, Rich? **Mastin:** The only comment I have is, there's very little activity going on; therefore, there's no report. However, if anybody has any comments or questions you would like me to take back to Karen Lane and her team, I welcome them.

Newkirk: OK, thank you very much, Rich.

(11) **CFA INTERNATIONAL SHOW.**

Committee Chair: Rich Mastin
List of Committee Members: Rachel Anger, Kathy Calhoun, Allene Tartaglia

Current Happenings of Committee

We are expecting proposals for the 2022 show from the facilities below:

Newkirk: Let's move on to CFA International Show, Order #11. **Mastin:** Allene is working on locations.

Suburban Collection Showplace, Novi MI

Mastin: We have heard from the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. There's some conflicts in being able to have an event there two years in a row. We're not even sure we can be in there for 2022.

Philly Expo Center @ Oaks, Valley Forge PA

Mastin: The Philly Expo Center, they do have availability for 2022 and the year beyond that, possibly the next two years. They do have a family pet expo going on at the same time, but that still would leave 125,000 square feet available to us, which would be plenty enough space.

Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim CA

Mastin: The Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim, California, at this time, based on their requirements, the date is not available to us and would not be available to us until closer to the date. They have some restrictions on what types of shows can be held, and if they don't fill the spot then they may allow us to do the activities that we do. Therefore, at this point in time, they are not a consideration.

Our contact from the Philly Expo Center recently contacted us by phone to inform us that a Family Pet Expo has contracted for some space on our weekend in 2022. There is still 125,000 square feet available for the cat show and before going forward with a proposal, they wanted to be sure this isn't a conflict for us. Quite the contrary, we think this could be a benefit for the International Show. The organizers of the Family Pet Expo are positive about the opportunity too.

What Will Be Presented at Next Meeting:

Updates regarding location.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Rich Mastin*

Mastin: Does anybody have any comments or questions? Allene, do you want to add any comments? **Tartaglia:** No, you covered it great. **Mastin:** That's it, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much, Rich.

(12) IT REPORT.

Systems Administrator: James Simbro

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Activities:

Genetics Project: Steve Merritt provided the statement below about the project. Although we had planned on giving a demo for the February meeting, we need to fine tune the interface so that it more closely demonstrates the final product. We will be submitting a budget request for 2021-2022 to finalize the interface development.

The Genetics Program testing for all breeds is now complete. Next steps are to improve the customer experience by cleaning up user interface and the questions being asked during the registration process. To include example pictures (pelt graphics used by the Judging program). Rewiring the questions that will take into consideration NOVICE breeders or pet owners. For the more experienced breeders there is a possibility of using an auto-complete method for registering a known coat color and pattern. Will be working with the programmers to also guide us during the question cleanup to use best practices during the filtering process.

Newkirk: Our next Order of the Day is the IT Report. James Simbro, you're recognized.
Simbro: Good morning everyone – or, I should say, afternoon now. I'll keep this brief. The report pretty much covers everything. I just want to again commend Steve Merritt for all of the work he has done on the genetics program. He has become really entrenched in this and dedicated to it. Allene and I have had one meeting with him and we had another meeting with Shirley Dent. The three of us started kind of looking at the eCat user interface, how people are going to interface with the genetics work that has been done in the background. We see that as going to be taking some work, and that will be budgeted in the 2021-2022 budget, as well as a lot of the other projects you see there on the report.

WeChat App: Sonit completed the Web Services configuration. This was needed for the WeChat App to interface with the registration system. Gavin and his developer are in contact with Sonit to begin their testing.

Simbro: The WeChat, I did get an email back from Gavin. I don't know if he is going to say anything today or not, but they are working on their end of it. Sonit has completed everything they needed and I believe he said he hoped to have it in testing by the end of this month, February. Are there any other questions on anything on the report? **Newkirk:** Gavin, would you like to comment on the WeChat app? **Cao:** Right now we are just in the middle of integrating the web services that were delivered to us and after that we will do some system testing, so like I told James, we are looking for a demo at the beginning of March or end of February. **Newkirk:** Alright, good deal.

Clerking module and person database: The overall requirements for the clerking module and customer record clean-up were finalized. We will be including this project in the 2021-2022 budget.

Electronic Grand Certificates: Specifications and requirements have been written for adding this function directly to the system. This will be integrated into the Granding process that occurs after a show is scored and will email the certificate directly to the owner. We will be including this in the 2021-2022 budget.

Grand of Distinction: Automating the awarding of the title is going to take extensive redesign of the existing system process due to the differing requirements per show season (# of finals required). Until we have this fully documented for quoting, we will be using database reports to identify qualifying cats. This will work for this abbreviated season but will need to be in place for the 2021-2022 season.

Cattery of Distinction: Requirements for this have been submitted and we will include this project in the 2021-2022 budget.

Current Happenings:

Continue testing and development of the eCat user interface for the genetics project.

We are examining various IT costs from the past year and have begun reducing or eliminating services to reduce expense. These consist of items such as web hosting, domain fees, and data storage fees.

Working on the 2021-2022 IT budget.

Board Action Items:

None

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Updates on projects and costs.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Simbro

Newkirk: Anything else, James? **Simbro:** No, that was it, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much for your excellent report. **Colilla:** I have a question. James, can you send me an email on what you're doing with the clerking module? I'm just curious, that's all. **Simbro:** Which module? **Colilla:** The clerking module. **Simbro:** Oh, the clerking. **Colilla:** Yeah, there's no need for discussion. When you have time, so I know what's going on. **Simbro:** OK. **Colilla:** Thank you. **Simbro:** No problem.

Newkirk: Our next thing is lunch. It's 1:38 your time. Do we want to cut it down to about 45 minutes instead of an hour? <yes> OK, so we'll break for 45 minutes. That would be 11:25 my time, 2:25 east coast time. OK, we will stand adjourned until lunch. Thank you all.

BREAK.

Project Name	Requirements sent to Sonit	Est. Completion Date	Completed Date	Budgeted Cost	Spent to Date	Final Cost	Notes
Genetics Module	2/1/2019	April 30, 2021		\$135,600.00	\$148,000.00		Budget overage due to underestimating the amount of time required for project manager to gather and process the tremendous amount of information for all breeds and colors.
WeChat App	10/6/2020	March 1, 2021		\$12,000.00	\$0.00		In progress
*CID clean-up (people records)	12/24/2020	June 1, 2021		TBD	\$0.00		* These two projects are combined as one.
*Clerking Module	12/24/2020	June 1, 2021		TBD	\$0.00		
Cattery of Distinction	1/4/2020	April 30, 2021		TBD	\$0.00		Need for 2020-2021 Season End
Automate Grand of Distinction		TBD					
Completed Projects							
Automated ePoints and Scoreboards	8/8/2019		8/21/2020	\$26,000.00		\$46,000.00	Cost will be recovered in a little over 1 year. Automating this saves 5+ hours a week in staff time. Sonit underestimated time, which has been discussed with them to prevent this in the future.
Breed Council Membership	1/27/2020	April 3, 2020	6/1/2020	\$36,400.00		\$40,462.00	
CCW			5/7/2020	\$30,000.00		\$40,000.00	Extra \$\$ for Mobile Ready

(13) YOUTH FELINE EDUCATION PROGRAM.

Committee Chair: Rich Nolte
Liaison to Board: Cathy Dunham
List of Committee Members: Bethany Colilla and Michelle Farnsworth

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

A zoom meeting was held to introduce the new program chair to the current Regional Representatives and Youth. Ideas were discussed for T-Shirts and possible projects the youth could do outside the show hall during the pandemic.

Nolte: ... Cornell University, and that group up there is looking like they are wanting to start a youth cat club and possibly bring in a CFA judge at some point to talk to them, so that part of the country has sort of been really hot for me, because they then contacted me a lot with questions about YFEP. We have decided that we wanted to get new t-shirts for YFEP because we think that these kids are the future rock stars of CFA and we wanted something flashy so that they could be easily recognized in the show halls. I feel like if we, as a community, make them feel welcome and make them feel special, they will take that back to school with them and will take that back to 4-H and whatever else and get more kids going.

Current Happenings of Committee:

With COVID impacting our nation and affecting the daily lives of all Americans, the committee have been looking for new and exciting ways to get virtual involvement for our youth.

We will be rolling out new contests starting February 15, 2021. These new contests will challenge the youth to create presentations (PowerPoint or Prezi) that are judged on content, creativity, and presentation. With a rotating panel of 2-3 licensed CFA judges per contest. The top 3 youth will be awarded cash prizes for the contest and each event will run 45 days. We aim at creating 6-8 of these virtual contests per school year while allowing the youth to enjoy their Summers free of contests just being kids. This format can remain in use even after the pandemic is over to introduce CFA's YFEP to other parts of the globe who currently do not have local shows.

New youth shirts are being created and will be mailed to the current youth exhibitors. These new shirts will be tie dyed and flashy. We want the youth to stand out in the show hall and be recognized for their involvement in the program. These kids are the future of CFA and we must support them in any way possible moving forward.

Our current approved fiscal year budget covers items that we can no longer use, such as pamphlets for the International Show. During the remainder of this fiscal year with the help of Central Office and the Budget Committee we will be reallocating our budget to cover the cost of the T-shirts and prize money. The funds will still benefit our youth and promote CFA to our youth worldwide.

We would also like to go back to cash payouts for the top 3 exhibitors per region to go along with the top 3 rosettes per region. With Grand prizes for the top 3 youth exhibitors each year internationally to be awarded at the annual. This is part of our proposed 2021-2022 fiscal year budget. As additional information is formalized, we will bring an action item back to the board later for yearend prizes.

The pandemic has shown us that nothing is promised in life, the youth program will hit the ground running virtually in 2021. As CFA shows slowly and safely begin popping up all over the world again, we look forward to the bright future of CFA YFEP.

As your new YFEP Chair I cannot thank Cathy Dunham enough for her help with my many questions. The pandemic has been a polarizing event in our nation's history, and we want the youth to be involved while staying safe. It is important to me to create an inclusive and welcoming atmosphere that can award children in the show hall and children at home. As an educator and parent, I have experienced first-hand the enormous challenges students are facing with our current reality. My hopes are now as we enter the 2nd semester of the school year things have settled down enough and some normalcy is returning to our lives so we can all begin enjoying CFA and the YFEP again.

Nolte: With the pandemic, I didn't want to push real hard for anything new for YFEP and I didn't want to make people feel uncomfortable going to local shows, so I have been trying to work to get a new program created that we were going to launch mid-February where the children could make virtual Prezi's or PowerPoints, and they could be judged by a rotating panel of CFA judges for cash prizes, but I wanted to make sure that also as a school teacher it doesn't impact the kids' numbers. So, that's in a nutshell what we have been working on.

Future Projections for Committee:

Introduce the virtual program to local Girl Scouts troops and agriculture education programs to build a stronger foundation for YFEP to grow on by introducing CFA to many more children across the USA.

Time Frame:

On Going

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Update on the virtual competition roll out and final year end prize request.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Rich Nolte, Chair*

Newkirk: Does any of the board members have any comments or questions for Rich, for the Youth Feline Education Program? OK Rich, I don't see anybody raising their hands. We really appreciate the work you're doing. Keep up the good work, and keep us updated, OK?

Nolte: Alright. Thank you so much. Have a wonderful weekend. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much. We appreciate it.

(14) **COMPANION CAT WORLD.**

Committee Chair: Kathy Black
Liaison to Board: Kenny Currle

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

We continue to see CCW registrations from many regions of the world. Recent registrants are from China, USA, Ireland and Indonesia.

The CFA sponsored CCW show is in the final planning stages with confirmation of judges and competition categories. The virtual show will take place in February with entries between Feb 7-Feb 21, and winners announced Feb. 26-28, 2021.

Current Happenings of Committee:

The CCW Virtual show will donate a portion of the proceeds to Sterling Davis of TrapKing to support his Trap, Neuter, and Release program across the US.

Meowy Hour will feature a couple of the judges to promote the Virtual show, and we will count on them helping us spread the word with their social media followers.

Participants can register a CCW cat directly on the Virtual website. With an emphasis on Companion Cat, and TNR, we are planning to see an increase in CCW registrations from this event.

Future Projections for Committee

Will report results from the CCW virtual show and update future projects.

Board Action Items:

None

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Updates

*Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Black, Chair*

Newkirk: We'll move on to item 14, Companion Cat World, the open part. Kathy Black, have you been upgraded? **Anger:** While we are waiting for Kathy, can we get those couple people muted who are not on mute? I think that's causing some audio problems that are going to be problematic when I transcribe the minutes. **Newkirk:** Yeah. **Anger:** Or maybe the call leader can mute them. They may have stepped away from their computer. **Tartaglia:** Let me mute Kathy. I don't know who it is. Everything is OK now. Kathy Black is back. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal. Kathy, you are recognized for your report, please. **Black:** Yes, hello everybody. Can you

hear me? **Newkirk:** Yes. **Black:** OK, alright. The report is very simple. We're mostly just talking about current registrations. They have been coming in from all over the world, which is exciting for the program, and that we're excited about our upcoming virtual cat show that's going to be featuring the CCW. Hopefully, we will see a lot of registrations come in through that virtual cat show. That's basically my report.

Newkirk: Any board members have any questions for Kathy? **Morgan:** Kathy, I have a quick question. I could probably look it up, so I apologize for that, but when we first came up with Companion Cat World, what were our specific goals that were stated in terms of registrations, and where are we based on that? Also, how much of the budget have we already spent? **Black:** I'm sorry, Melanie, what was the last question? **Morgan:** Where are we on budget? How much have we put out, how much have we brought in? **Black:** OK. We haven't spent hardly anything of our budget. Our budget was for promotion of shows and other items, so we haven't really spent much of our budget. As for the registrations, just like registrations across the board, they are down a little bit, which is disappointing, because we are talking about Companion Cat World and every Meowly Hour. We are looking hopefully to really spur registrations with our virtual cat show that's coming up. One of the things that we really wanted to do is push this to people outside our cat world. Companion Cat World's goal was to get to the millions of people that have never heard of CFA and not only get their cat registered but also introduce them to CFA, so with the judges that we have slated for our virtual show, they are outside the CFA family, so to speak, and they have a very large social media footprint and so we are hoping that they will bring in a lot of people that have never heard of us, we will get those cats registered and we will also introduce them to CFA. So, this virtual cat show that we've got coming up this month, we really are hoping to see a big bang out of it. It will be disappointing if that doesn't happen, but that is our goal. Does that answer your question? **Morgan:** Yes Kathy, thank you. **Calhoun:** I'm not sure – OK, I know Melanie said that her question was answered, but I think folks need to understand that the CCW project cost us \$40,000 to implement, from software development - \$40,025. So, that's what we have spent developing the program. I'm not sure if that's getting to the root of the question. **Newkirk:** What have we seen on the income side? **Calhoun:** Year to date? It's in my report, but let me – through December, \$3,155. **Newkirk:** OK. That's all during COVID, is that correct? **Calhoun:** May through December. Look at May 2019 through December of 2019. That number is \$4,138. **Newkirk:** Do we have a total on income? You told us we spent \$40,025 to implement the program. What I'm looking for is how much total income have we reaped from spending that \$40,000? **Calhoun:** I can get you that number, I believe, if you hang on a second. **Black:** Darrell, while Kathy is getting that number, I just want to point out that we did have to do quite a bit of programming changes, because this registration process is taking place out-of-house essentially. We used to always do everything in-house and then we moved to doing everything outside of CFA. So, there was cost of doing business for getting that set up in the first place, just like any programming changes that we would do to our registration processes. I don't know if we ever look at that on a one to one basis saying, "Well, we spent X number of dollars to change our registration process. Have we recouped that money yet or not?" I don't know if we have done that in the past. I don't mind looking at the income. I'm disappointed with the number of registrations as much as anybody else, but I don't think it's quite fair to say, "Well, we had to do these programming costs, so therefore the program has not brought in enough income to offset that." **Newkirk:** I'm not trying to place blame anywhere, OK? All I'm trying to do is, we invested a little over \$40,000 and some change and I'm looking at what the ROI is. **Calhoun:** I'm in QuickBooks right now and I

ran a report. I'm not sure of the exact date. That would take a little bit more digging, exactly when we started to spend against this project, but I ran a P&L from May 1, 2017 through February 6, 2021. If I added all that up, it's \$23,152. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. So, we're heading in the right direction. **Calhoun:** Now, I'm not sure. Does anybody recall – maybe Kathy you recall – when the project was instituted. **Black:** We took a year to come up with a name. **Calhoun:** Is James still on the line? **Simbro:** I'm still here. I'm trying to remember. I wonder if it was May of something. **Tartaglia:** I think it was May of 2019 – May, June, July of 2019 when we had the software. Just one other point, the software, it hasn't been taken totally out of CFA. CFA still has all this data. The big part was the picture. It's the ID card. We never dealt with having a picture that we had to upload as part of a cat's record, it's on an ID card. So, that was the big change. The ID cards are printed outside. But, just to clarify, CFA has the data. They are registered – **Black:** Thank you Allene. I didn't mean the entire thing was taken out. She's right, we had never associated an image with a registration and that's what took the \$30,000 from Sonit, to get that implemented. **Calhoun:** So, I ran the numbers from May 1, 2019 to today, with whatever is in QuickBooks as of today. It's \$8,122.80.

Curre: Just for point of clarification, CCW was intended to be in addition to what the initial intent was – was to be a boon to the country of India. India, I had planned and we had meetings in Kuwait about this, to introduce CFA in addition to the shows that we've already had there, and COVID just put a total stop to that. They have a similar program that the clubs there were very interested in partnering up with CFA. They've had over 30,000 people just to register cats that would be very interested in the program that we would have to offer. So, this is still in it's infancy. COVID has destroyed a lot of plans, and I think we should definitely continue with it. The way it's set up, to me, it could be a financial boon to us over a period of time, so we just need to give it some time. **Newkirk:** I think, Kenny, after COVID is done, what we need to do in some of these outlying areas, have a really robust marketing campaign to market this program so that people can register their cats. **Colilla:** This is just my observation. I put on a pet fair two years ago in Pittsburgh. There was over 20,000 people walking in. There was a CCW display. I think we need somebody there pushing it for the whole weekend. We could sell a lot more. I will be having a Pittsburgh expo this year again. I do not know which weekend. I recommend we have somebody manning the booth and push for this. If everything works, there will be 20,000 people coming through. That's a lot of people that could sign up. **Newkirk:** That sounds good, John. Thank you for bringing that to our attention.

P. Moser: I just want to say that we've invested the \$40,000, that's it. I was against this from the very beginning, but it was sold to us that we were going to be registering 50,000 to 100,000 cats. As it has turned out, we have not, but I know it's only been two years. But, my point is, I don't think we should invest any further. We've already got the \$40,000 in, but going further I think would be a mistake. **Newkirk:** Are you talking about investing in the program, or the program itself? **P. Moser:** I'm talking about if they come back and say, "oh, I need another \$10,000 for this." I just think that would be money not well spent. **Newkirk:** If they do that, then we'll have to have that discussion at that time. Good point, Pam. **Tartaglia:** I just had a quick question, Darrell. When we're talking about not investing any more money, is that with the programming end, or are you also talking about not investing any money in promoting the program? Just because we build it doesn't mean they will come, so I just wanted to be clear if we are considering investing. **Newkirk:** If we don't spend money, we won't make money. That's just a concept of business. We have to understand, if we have invested over \$40,000 in a

program, if we decide that we're not going to spend the money to market the program, why the hell did we spend the \$40,000 to begin with? So, it only makes sense that we're going to have to try to come up, without going crazy on expenses for marketing the program, we've got a committee that heads that up. Kathy, did you have further comments? **Calhoun:** I do. The \$40,000 built the house. The house is built. It's done. In order to move forward, we have a process for this. The committee would submit a budget, would give us some rationale why they want it, and it would come back to the board in April for approval. **Newkirk:** For approval. **Calhoun:** So that's what we should do. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kathy. That's a good point to make. **Currle:** Just to finish the discussion, it does take money, as you said Darrell, to make money. This program definitely has a lot of potential. I don't think we should abandon it. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny. That's a good point. **Black:** We have a lot of big plans, and COVID unfortunately put a halt on a lot of those. We would like to see stand-alone CCW shows. We've talked about a lot of different aspects of promoting this program, and I think that it has a lot of potential, like Kenny said. I think that we're just at the tip of the iceberg. There's millions of people that have cats, that love their cats, and would love to register their cats with this program if they just knew about it, so it does boil down to marketing and it does boil down to us getting the word out about CFA. That was the whole intention, was to educate people about CFA. So, that leads to other things – starting a cattery, attending a show, showing a Household Pet. So, thank you for everyone's support. We will hopefully see some uptick and offset our costs so far, but I do believe we're just in the infancy, like has been said. **Newkirk:** Any other comments on CCW? Thank you very much, Kathy. We appreciate your hard work. **Black:** Thank you.

(15) **MARKETING.**

Submitted by Desiree Bobby, Marketing Director

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Planning and producing:

***The Cat Fanciers' Association (CFA), ZYMOX & Oratene Present:
TrapKing's "From Feral to Fancy" TNR Fundraising Cat Photo Contest***

CFA has teamed up with 10 well-known cat-influencers; Nathan the Cat Lady, Sunglass Cat, Adventure Cats, "Catafication" designer Kate Benjamin, and Pet Behavior Expert Arden Moore, and more to hold a CCW Virtual Cat Competition Fundraising event.

Sterling "TrapKing" is an African American cat rescuer dedicated to Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR). Sterling has a passion not only for cats, but a mission to promote diversity in animal welfare. He is trying to bridge the racial divide between the cat world and the black community. Similarly, he supports CFA in our efforts in bridging the divide between the pedigree and rescue cat communities. His two cats, Damita Joe and Alanis Mewissette are card-carrying CCW members 😊

Sterling has recently been featured on The Today Show, The Washington Post, the Kelly Clarkson Show, The Drew Barrymore Show and dozens of other national media outlets. Just about a month ago Drew Barrymore gave him a large donation of cat food live on TV.

Some more articles about Sterling:

<https://www.today.com/pets/rapper-challenges-perception-black-men-cat-rescue-t200196>

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/2020/12/07/rapper-turned-cat-man-who-is-busting-stereotypes-with-his-love-felines/>

TrapKing's From Feral to Fancy TNR Fundraising Cat Photo Contest details are as follows:

Name Sponsor: PetKing Brands Zymox and Oratene

Other Class Sponsors: Yeowww! CatNip, Cuddly and others are being negotiated.

Event Dates:

Accepting Photo Entries

Sunday, February 7, 2021 12:01 AM (EST) - Sunday, February 21, 2021 11:59 PM (PST)

Spectators Choice Fundraising Voting - Votes Are \$1 Each

Sunday, February 7, 2021 12:01 AM (EST) - February 26, 2021 11:59 PM (PST)

Winners Announced on February 26 - 28, 2021

Entry Fee: \$15 for main event & \$5 per additional class

CCW Membership will be provided to all eligible entered pets for no additional fee.

of Classes: 1 Main Event class, 10 fun classes. No conformation classes.

of Prizes: 111 products prizes funded mostly by sponsors.

Prize for top placement in all classes: Included in photo appearance in New York City's Times Square.

See more details on the website: vcc.cfa.org/trapking2021

It is under development and will be live by February 2, 2021

Current Happenings of Committee:

CCW promotion activities including a CCW VCC for February 2020.

Board Action Items:

None

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

CCW VCC Fundraising Results & other upcoming priorities.

Respectfully Submitted,

Desiree Bobby, Marketing Director

Newkirk: Business Order #15 is Marketing. I see that now we have a report. **Tartaglia:** Desiree has been promoted to panelist. **Newkirk:** Thank you. **Bobby:** Hi guys. **Newkirk:** Hi, how you doing? **Bobby:** Nice to see everybody. So, feedback on what Kathy was talking about, about the CCW-specific event that we're doing on the virtual cat competition platform. The marketing strategy for CCW for this was not to really spend any money out of pocket, but to partner with big names in the pet world, so what we did was partnered with Sterling TrapKing Davis, who has had a ton of media attention lately from Drew Barrymore, Today Show, Washington Post. He is really big in TNR, which is Trap-Neuter-Return. So, we've done a few things with Sterling in the past. We met him at the Acatemy, which is another CCW initiative that Allene and I did over a year ago. We had met him there and we really, really became very fond of him. Kathy had him on Meowy Hour, so I reached out to him and asked him if he would like to do an event for CCW. He is a card-carrying CCW member, his cats. So with him and his agent, who is Mary Tan of Whisker Media, we got together and we put together some of the top names in the cat influencer world – Nathan the Cat Lady. He is actually an actor and he has his own large following; the Two Crazy Cat Ladies, Sunglass Cat of course, and a few other big names. They have all agreed to donate their time and they are going to be judging at our event, so that is going to be – just with them together that will be about 3 million impressions that the show will get. If everyone posted one time, that's 3 million impressions with those influencers. Then also, some of the companies that are fans of Sterling and/or he works with have offered to sponsor the show, as well, to help with expenses and to earn some funds for prizes and donating some prizes and things like that. So, if you take a look at the website it actually goes live. The site is up now and entries open tomorrow. There's a link down at the bottom. You'll see all the

awesome, new, hip, popular brands on there, you'll see a page of who these judges are. So, to enter the event is \$15 and what that does is, it gets them in the main event for spectator's choice voting. With that \$15 they are going to get their CCW membership card, and then after that there's a \$5 fee to enter any additional classes, which are the classes that are judged by the cat influencers. So, I put together a budget and gave it to Allene. Right now we're just moving forward getting everything ready. I have Iris. Everyone should know that she is the best writer ever. She is writing content for about 100 posts that will be sharing with all the influencers. Mike is going to do his magic on FaceBook. Lorna told me today she will be happy to share with her following and all the groups that she belongs to. So, together, we probably are estimating probably about 5 million impressions for this event. I think that about covers it. If anyone has any questions about it. **Newkirk:** Any questions for Desiree? OK, it doesn't look like anybody has any questions. Thank you and good luck, Desiree. Good work. **Bobby:** Thanks.

(16) MENTOR-NEWBEE REPORT.

Committee Chair: Kathy Black
Liaison to Board: Carol Krzanowski

President Newkirk combined the Mentorship & Newbee programs. We are adding new members to the Newbee Facebook page and email group weekly. Usually 3-5 per week.

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Newbee website is undergoing a make-over with the design of Teresa Keiger and several volunteers to write the material needed.

Leesa Altschul and her volunteers were very successful in helping new exhibitors at the Houston Cat Club show this past January.

Having each new exhibitor assigned to their own mentor greatly enhances their experience with CFA and leads to their further involvement with our organization and shows. For those volunteering to assist the new exhibitor, we have created a sticker for them to wear. There were 5 new exhibitors at the Roanoke show also assisted by volunteers. We appreciate all who helped make the new exhibitors' show a success.



I have received twenty-one requests from new breeders/exhibitors for a mentor, and all have been assigned.

I am requesting each of the Regional Directors and ID Chairs to send to me their area's Mentorship and Newbee Coordinators. For any breeder wishing to be a mentor send me your name and breed you work with to kathy.black@yahoo.com.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Plans are to soon complete the update for the Newbee website. Continued pairing of requests with a mentor.

Future Projections for Committee:

More information and better tracking of those requesting assistance with mentorship and showing (Newbee).

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Updates

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Black, Chair

Newkirk: We're to Business Order #16, which is the Mentor/NewBee report. I think that's Kathy Black again. **Black:** I just want to say thank you to everyone that has volunteered to be a mentor, either with a new breeder or someone at a show that's a new exhibitor. I get requests every week for people looking to be mentored. Either they are looking to start a cattery or they have started a cattery and they are needing help. I want to reach out to people in the International Division. I still need more mentors from Malaysia, China, Indonesia. I struggle to come up with people, and I get a lot of requests from those areas, so if you are on this call and you are interested in being a mentor or anyone anywhere that's willing to be a mentor, please email me your name and the breeds that you work with so I can have a list, because I'm running out of people and I'm loading up too many people with new protégés.

Black: We came up with a Team NewBee sticker, which is something that the people that are helping those new exhibitors at the cat shows are wearing to identify them. You can see a picture of that there. I know that the show going on this weekend in Huntsville, I think there's three new exhibitors that each have their own show mentor to help them navigate the show scene and help them get their cats in the ring and explain what's going on with the shows. So, this is something I recommend all of the different regions to do. I know that it happened at the last show that happened up in – where was it, Virginia? **Currie:** Roanoke. **Black:** Thank you. I know that it was kind of a team effort. It wasn't necessarily that there were people identified up front, but it's best if you do identify the new exhibitors. They check the box on their entry form that they are a new exhibitor, so the entry clerk has a list of those. They need to be corresponding to the coordinator for that region and the region needs to set up volunteers to help those people have a good experience. The better their first experience, the more likely they will return, regardless of the success their cat has. We want to make them feel like family.

Black: So, that's basically what's going on here. Teresa Keiger is in the process of updating the NewBee website. We're going to expand that to also include Mentoring, so we're in the process of getting that done. That's about all I have on my report, if anybody has any questions.

Calhoun: I do have a question. So, this sticker, logo that's on your report. Do these sorts of things – I'm assuming this is your new, revised logo. Is that what this is? **Black:** This is just a sticker that is given to the person that's acting as the mentor to a new exhibitor, just to identify them. **Calhoun:** The thing that concerned me when I saw this that just kind of popped out at me is that the item that has the smallest font on this sticker is the name of the organization, "The Cat Fanciers' Association." I'm old so I almost needed a magnifying glass. **Black:** They are only being worn at a CFA show, so I understand your concern but they're only utilized at CFA shows. **Calhoun:** I don't think that overrides the concern. I just don't know, I thought at one point in time we had some sort of process. I would just make a note. You've done it and you've already printed them up, so that's fine. I wouldn't want you to destroy anything or waste any money, but I think that whenever we do anything, that "The Cat Fanciers' Association," whether we intend for it to be internal or external, that that should not be hard to find. **Black:** OK, so noted. **Newkirk:** You could almost make a small version of the CFA logo and put it into the black and yellow of the body. **Calhoun:** Or you could put CFA around the circle like we do a lot of things. We do it around the circle. I just think it's lost. It's lost. **Black:** I'll take that back to Teresa. I think we just had a limited number of these printed up so it would be easy to modify it for the next version. **Calhoun:** Thank you.

Morgan: I had the same, exact observation Kathy did. I understand they are only being used at shows. However, every time that we go out in public in whatever capacity is an opportunity to market ourselves, and we should be front and center. It should say “cat” and it should say “Cat Fanciers’ Association,” and this says bee. Then you have to search for “Cat Fanciers,” so I definitely think we should look at a revamp on this. **Newkirk:** Thank you Melanie.

Newkirk: Anyone else have any comments? You want to close it out, Kathy? **Black:** Yes. Thank you for your feedback. I’ll take it back to Teresa and we can work on a revised version of that, but I do want to again reiterate, anyone that’s willing to be a mentor. I’m still looking for some feedback from the regional directors, also, so I know who all their coordinators are. My email address is in this report. Please send me that information. Thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much, Kathy.

(17) CFA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Legislation Committee Chair George Eigenhauser gave the following report:

Committee Chair:	George Eigenhauser
List of Committee Members:	Joan Miller & Phil Lindsley
CFA Legislative Group:	George Eigenhauser, Sharon Coleman & Kelly Crouch

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The 117th United States Congress is now in session. So far in 2021 no new federal bills have been introduced that CFA is tracking. Most states have also begun their new legislative sessions. Some states, as well as the federal government, have two-year legislative cycles. This year marks the first year of two-year sessions in several states so these jurisdictions may have up to two years to pass the bills we are just starting to track. The CFA Legislative Group is currently tracking "active" state bills (introduced in 2021) as well as bills which were "pre-filed" in their state legislature.

PIJAC continues to provide state, federal, and some local bill introduction and tracking information for CFA. We review each bill for interest to fanciers and mark those for ongoing tracking. PIJAC then sends us updates on each bill we track, which may include amendments, committee assignments, hearing dates and other information. We also watch for animal related bills which, for whatever reason, initially failed to match our search criteria and do not appear on our tracking list but which may need tracking later. These often include bills which have been amended to include new provisions which may impact cat fanciers. We subscribe to and monitor many pet-related lists on the Internet. We receive information from our CFA Legislative network liaisons throughout the country about bills introduced or proposed in their state. We also receive information from other animal groups, such as the dog fancy, about proposed or pending state bills. Each of these sources may provide us with additional bills which are reviewed and, if appropriate, added to our tracking list.

The pandemic is also forcing governments to identify essential businesses and determine what restrictions on their operations will apply in the different stages of the pandemic response. Of concern to all pet owners is the availability of pet supplies and services. The selection of pet food and supplies cannot be limited to the products offered by grocery stores. Pets also require access to health care. In light of this ongoing issue, CFA authorized the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council to add CFA to its open letter to regulators to protect essential pet providers. To see the most recent version of the open letter click on this link: <https://tinyurl.com/CovidLetterPIJAC>

The CFA Legislative News Facebook page provides cat fanciers a source of current news articles on legislative issues. By posting a wide variety of legislative articles from the news media or other groups focused on pet legislation, usually involving cats, fanciers can use the Facebook page as a quick check for news that may affect them. Occasionally, a post will spark a spirited dialogue among followers. Despite the pandemic, the page remains steady at 586 page-likes and 614 page-follows. Still, the effects of the pandemic are reflected in the other stats. As a result, the number of Facebook posts decreased in the back third of the year more than it

typically does. From September 21, 2020, until January 20, 2021, our 27 new posts have reached 950 people and generated 119 post likes, comments, shares, and other post engagements. Beyond these posts, we continue to monitor animal abuse, animal abuse registries, retail pet store bans, and community cat issues. CFALegislativeNews:

<https://www.facebook.com/CFALegislativeNews>

The CFA Legislative Group blog continues as our platform integrated with our other social media activities and communications strategies to create an online presence that we can manage ourselves with public links to our materials. We have been re-publishing the monthly What's Hot articles as posts so that these are readily available for later reference. Occasionally, other special items of our own work are posted as blog entries or on additional pages within the blog site. In our Resources page, additional materials include selected Cat Talk articles that were published six or more months prior to publication on the blog. Our APHIS Exemptions Flow Charts page has our flow charts for the 2018 revised definitions: 1) Do Cat Fanciers need a USDA Dealer License?; and 2) Do Cat Fanciers need a USDA Exhibitor License? Readers may "Follow" the blog and receive a notice when a new post is published. The URL for new posts is posted on CFALegislativeNews Facebook Page or other pages we follow or as topics come up in other contexts, and this functionality has been a very useful addition to our toolkit.

CFA Legislative Group Blog: <https://cfalegislativgroup.wordpress.com>

Current Happenings of Committee:

Highlights of a few selected issues: (Not by any means complete - just a few examples.)

Federal

APHIS Regulations to promote licensing compliance, reduce licensing fees, and strengthen existing safeguards that prevent individuals and businesses who have a history of noncompliance from obtaining a license or working with regulated animals went into effect on 11/9/2020.

State Issues

Florida H.B. 45 would prohibit pet stores from selling dogs and cats. Referred to the Regulatory Reform Subcommittee; Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee; Commerce Committee.

Florida H.B. 47/S.B. 216, "Allie's Law", would require veterinarians and veterinarian technicians to report animal cruelty if the animal is a current patient. H.B. 47 was referred to Regulatory Reform Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee; Commerce Committee. S.B. 216 was referred to the Committees on Agriculture; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Criminal Justice; Rules.

Florida H.B. 177 would prohibit the tethering of both dogs and cats. Referred to the Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee.

Indiana H.B. 1142 would restrict the retail sale of dogs or cats in pet stores except those obtained from humane sources. Referred to the Committee on Commerce, Small Business and Economic Development.

Kentucky H.B. 100 would require animal control officers to serve notice of seizure of animals subjected to cruelty. It would also create a procedure for seizing agencies to petition a court to order payment of animal care costs by the owner. Referred to the Committee on Committees.

Kentucky S.B. 59 would restrict the sourcing of dogs, cats, and rabbits sold in retail pet shops to certain humane sources. Referred to the Committee on Committees.

Maryland H.B. 154/S.B. 292, “Buddie’s Law”, would increase the non-economic damages allowed to be awarded in cases involving the tortious injury or death of a pet to \$25,000. Up from \$10,000. Carryovers of previous H.B. 992/S.B. 997.

Maryland S.B. 103, “No More Puppy and Kitten Mills Act of 2021”, amends existing retail pet store definition to include brokers and subject them to the same restrictions as pet stores.

Missouri H.B. 222/H.B. 276 would establish the Missouri Animal Abuser Registration Act and H.B. 222 would also increase penalties for the offense of animal abuse.

New York A.B. 135 would provide for the registration and regulation of pet groomers. Referred to economic development. Referred to Economic Development Committee.

New York A.B. 162 would amend the Agriculture and Markets Law to create a 15 member task force to examine and evaluate animal protection laws. Referred to the Agriculture Committee.

New York A.B. 776, Bryan’s Law, would expand upon the current law requiring certain disclosures about animals sold by pet shops. Referred to Agriculture Committee.

Oregon Dept. of Agriculture adopted regulations that provides dogs and cats to be imported into Oregon shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Adopted 7/20/20.

Texas Sunset Commission Update: The Sunset Commission rejected the recommendation to eliminate the Licensed Breeder Program. The Commission originally recommended that the program be eliminated because it failed to meaningfully protect the public. Senator Royce West (D-23) is the author of filed Senate Bill 323 that would, if enacted, reduce the threshold to require licensing to five breeding females and eliminating the cats or dogs sold threshold altogether.

Please note that the Texas legislature meets only in odd-numbered years.

Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation: The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) is undergoing a state-mandated review of its rules for the Licensed Breeder Program. This is NOT the same as the Texas Sunset Commission review.

Local

Madison, AL: Ordinance would require that dogs and cats sold in retail pet stores be sourced from rescues or shelters.

Fairplay, CO: Adopted ORD 2020001 prohibiting the retail sale of cats and dogs in the town.

Includes a definition of hobby breeder.

Silverado, CO: Adopted ORD 202006 prohibits the sale of cats and dogs by pet stores.

Largo, FL: Ordinance would provide buying standards and sourcing transparency requirements for the retail pet stores.

Nassau County, FL: adopted an ordinance prohibiting the retail sale of dogs, cats and rabbits in commercial establishments. Adopted 7/16/2020.

Pasco County, FL: adopted an ordinance to restrict the retail sale of dogs and cats by county pet stores. Adopted 9/8/2020.

Evansville, IL: Adopted an ordinance that only allows USDA licensees to sell cats and dogs within the city.

Naperville, IL: Adopted an ordinance that amends municipal code to allow pet stores to only sell dogs and cats obtained from or displayed in cooperation with humane/welfare organizations or animal rescue groups.

Village of Quincy, MI: adopted an ordinance limiting the number of pets in a dwelling unit was adopted 10/20/2020.

Burke County, NC: A proposed ordinance included mandatory sterilization and an unworkable breeder permit proposal. AKC reports that at the meeting on December 16, 2020 the advisory committee tabled the breeder permit and instead work with AKC and local breeders on next steps.

Robbinsville, NJ: Ordinance 2020-33 would prohibit the retail sale of dogs and cats in the township. Adopted 12/17/2020.

Eldred Borough, PA: adopted an ordinance on 10/14/2020 making it unlawful to feed feral cats.

Mesquite, TX: Adopted an ordinance on 11/16/2020 that made several changes to its animal ordinance including placing limits on the number of animals a breeder can sell.

San Antonio, TX: On 10/29/2020, the City Council adopted an ordinance intensifying the restrictive animal ordinance already in place. The adopted ordinance adds punitive measures in the seller's permit section, changing the definition for licensed rescues, and an unworkable plan restricting the cats and dogs they may sell.

Whitewater, WI: adopted an ordinance prohibiting the sale of dogs and cats in pet stores but allows such stores to showcase animals from animal care or rescue organizations. Adopted 6/2/2020. Effective 9/1/2020.

Litigation

The CFA Board has allowed CFA to join with the Animal Health Institute (AHI) coalition on *amicus curiae* (friend of the court) briefs opposing non-economic damages (i.e. "pain and suffering") for injuries to animals. They are monitoring lower court litigation and will keep us informed if an appropriate situation develops. There is nothing new to report this time period.

Publications

The CFA e-Newsletter provides space for a "What's Hot" legislative column used to provide information on new and urgent matters of interest to the cat fancy. In general, Cat Talk Almanac articles are written for less time sensitive matters with a focus on guidance on lobbying in general. The CFA Legislative Facebook page provides more real-time discussion of legislative topics. Articles published in the CFA e-Newsletter and the Cat Talk Almanac since the October 2020 CFA Board meeting:

- * CFA e-Newsletter, October 2020, ***"Whatever Happened to This Legislation? CA, CO, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, and NH"*** by Kelly S. Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this year has been challenging for legislators and advocates alike. This has caused many legislative bodies to adopt special rules and procedures to deal with the pandemic, making tracking more difficult and increasing the risk of legislation "falling through the cracks. This article provided updates on multiple issues in several states, as well as some local governments. Restrictions on the retail sale of pets continues to be a hot topic. A few places where such restrictions were already adopted may have revisited the issue to avoid what they consider to be loopholes. Additional regulation of breeders, mandatory microchipping, and mandatory reporting by veterinarians of suspected animal cruelty are among other legislation being considered.
- * CFA e-Newsletter, November 2020, ***"The San Antonio, Texas Animal Ordinance Becomes More Restrictive Once Again"*** by Kelly S. Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. The title says it all. Animal Care Services (ACS) pushed for new regulation quickly and largely under the radar. ACS created a heavily biased poll was created to justify the new regulation. A "facts" sheet was prepared heavily biased toward the ACS position. Their proposal included an unworkable plan restricting the cats and dogs a pet shop may sell and changing the definition for licensed rescues. Breeders were also targeted with an unworkable plan restricting the cats and dogs could sell to humanely sourced animals. This mandate did not make it into the adopted ordinance. Breeders working with rescue may be impacted by new definitions of animal rescue organizations. All breeders will now be subject to punitive penalties for violating the seller's permit ordinance, which may include mandatory sterilization of all cats and dogs at their location.

- * CFA e-Newsletter, December 2020, ***“Texas Agency Reviews Rules for the Licensed Breeder Program”*** by Kelly S. Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) is undergoing a state-mandated review of its rules for the Licensed Breeder Program. This is NOT the same as the Texas Sunset Commission review previously discussed in the July 2020 CFA e-Newsletter *“What's Hot”* article. The sunset review process evaluates agency and program effectiveness every 12 years. That review process is still underway. Instead, the TDLR is conducting a routine four-year undertaking required of state agencies to assess whether the rules are obsolete, reflect current legal and policy considerations, and aligns with departmental procedures. TDLR cannot change the law underlying the regulations.
- * CFA e-Newsletter, January 2021, ***“PIJAC’s Letter on Essential Businesses, Legislative Sessions, and an Update on Burke County, North Carolina”*** by Kelly S. Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon Coleman, CFA Legislative Legal Analyst. This article touches on several current issues in legislation. In December PIJAC, CFA, AKC, NAIA and others published an open letter to regulators at all levels to ask that essential pet businesses but kept open during the COVID-19 pandemic. Pet stores that sell food, products and supplies, and businesses that offer veterinary, boarding and grooming services, must remain operational to ensure the continued humane care of companion animals. Grocery stores don’t often have the specialized food, supplements and even medications that are required to maintain the health of millions of beloved pets and animals. Proper care for pets also includes veterinary care, pet boarding and grooming services. On another topic, the article discussed the impact COVID-19 is having on state session dates. The article concludes with an update on the Burke County, NC proposal for coercive measures detrimental to fanciers and other pet owners. These included mandatory sterilization and an unworkable breeder permit proposal. AKC took the lead working with local groups to express their concerns to the Animal Advisory Board and county commission. AKC reports that at the meeting on December 16, 2020 the advisory committee tabled the breeder permit and instead work with AKC and local breeders on next steps.
- * Cat Talk Almanac, October 2020, ***“State Breeder Laws Every Resident Fancier Should Know!”*** by Kelly S. Crouch, CFA Legislative Information Liaison and Sharon A. Coleman, Legislative Legal Analyst. This article is part 4 in a series designed to help fanciers with an overview of their state’s pet law and breeder regulation. This installment covered half of the U.S. States of Region 6: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, and Minnesota. Kansas was addressed in the previous article regarding the Gulf Shore Region. The other 4 States in Region 6 will be covered in the next article in this series which has been written and should appear in the next issue. As always, this is just a quick snapshot of statewide laws now in effect. Breeders may also need to consider laws of jurisdictions into which they sell cats, as well as any federal, city, or county laws affecting them. Even homeowner associations may have rules which may affect cat ownership or breeding.

Meetings and Conferences:

CANCELLED: *Association for Animal Welfare Advancement (AAWA) Annual Conference, Houston, TX, on November 15-17, 2020, New Orleans, LA and the National Council on Pet Population Research Symposium (November 18, 2020).*

POSTPONED: *National Animal Interest Alliance (NAIA), Fall 2020 annual conference has been postponed due to COVID-19. Information about the future of the conference is TBA.*

CANCELLED: *The Pet Industry Leadership Summit 2021, January 24-26, 2021, National Resort and Spa, Palm Beach Gardens, FL. This event is jointly sponsored by the American Pet Products Association (APPA), the Pet Industry Distributors Association (PIDA) and the World Pet Association (WPA). This is the largest conference for pet industry executives including more than 300 of the pet industry's leaders. The live conference was cancelled and an online version is open to the public.*

Future Projections for Committee and Legislative Group:

Upcoming conferences related to legislation –committed or pending:

CANCELLED: *HSUS Humane Care Expo, April 2021. The live event has been cancelled.*

HSUS Humane Care Expo, April 21-23, 2021. *An online conference will be held and provide the greatest opportunity for an interactive experience with other participants, speakers and exhibitors. Our continuing CFA presence at the Expos each year gives us an opportunity to reinforce CFA's goal of promoting respect for all cats with an emphasis on public education. This conference provides positive networking with a variety of animal groups and leaders who are often unaware of our devotion to the welfare of cats and our common love of animals. In the absence of a live meeting it is uncertain whether CFA will be represented this year.*

Pet Night on Capitol Hill - September 2021 in Washington, DC. *Due to COVID-19 concerns and risks associated with in person events, the annual Pet Night on Capitol Hill was converted into a virtual event "Pet Week on Capitol Hill" held over the course of three days. Hosted by the Human Animal Bond Research Institute (HABRI), and again sponsored by CFA, Pet Week on Capitol Hill brought the power of pets to the U.S. Capitol. At this time there have been no announcements about the status of Pet Night as a live event in 2021. We will provide more information as it becomes available.*

Ongoing goals -

- *Networking with the sheltering community, aligned organizations, veterinarians and lawmakers so we better understand the problems and trends that cause homeless animals to be in shelters and develop ways to address the issues that motivate legislation detrimental to our interests.*
- *Continuing to find new methods for presenting perspective on the cat fancy views to those in animal related fields and government.*

- *Working with national and local cat fancy teams to defeat legislation/regulation detrimental to pedigreed cats, feral/unowned cats, CFA's mission and cat ownership.*
- *Enlisting professional help with strategic public relations and communication to build greater public awareness and gain more support for our opposition to mandated sterilization laws across the country.*
- *Increasing efforts to raise funds for the Sy Howard Legislative Fund and to help clubs present projects suitable for funding.*

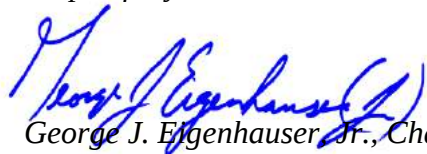
Action Items: None at this time.

Time Frame: Ongoing.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Updates and pending legislative matters.

Respectfully Submitted,



George J. Eigenhauser Jr., Chair

Newkirk: Let's move on to Order #17, which is the Legislative Committee/Group. George Eigenhauser, you're recognized. **Eigenhauser:** You've all read the report. If you have any questions, I'm here to answer them. The one thing I want to really emphasize to people, though, is even though we're locked at home with COVID in many areas, life goes on. Legislators are still out there, they're still passing laws, they're still doing things that could be detrimental to us. Texas in particular has been a real hot spot recently and we expect it to continue to be a hot spot, but it is coast to coast. So, I just want to warn fanciers that even though some of the big face-to-face conferences and other things are gone, legislation goes on, so please be aware of what's happening in your area because sometimes if it's local, you pick up on it faster than we do, so stay on guard. Don't let your guard down. Other than that, if anybody has any questions, I'm here.

DelaBar: Not particularly a question, George, but just to let you know that there has been some very severe laws passed in Switzerland, that's also leading into the lower part of Germany. Not that we have a lot of shows in either of those areas that are affected, but it does present a problem where there's actual bans on Japanese Bobtails, Kurilian Bobtails, Manx, Cymrics – of course, we consider those longhair Manx – and any other cats basically that show a genetic change, like with the bobtails – Scottish Folds, etc. So, it's not only happening in Belgium, picking up in France, but now in Switzerland. It has basically really concerned one of the other major organizations within Europe. It's really affecting them badly. I wish I was still in San Antonio, or I would have been writing a whole bunch of that. **Eigenhauser:** If you can put me in touch with some of the people in the other organizations that are dealing with this, even if I don't necessarily understand German law or how it processes, we can still provide information and

lend CFA's name, if that helps. **DelaBar:** I'm glad that you brought that up, because I already recommended they contact you. So, I'm glad that you did that. The thing is that it was actually a CFA'er, Reto Gfeller, who sourced all this information and the other organizations had not had an idea that it had been upgraded in two years, and so we were actually the lead info on this. I have definitely given your name out. **Newkirk:** Thank you Pam.

Newkirk: Any other questions for George on the Legislative Group? **Mastin:** George, is there any update on the Pet Night on Capitol Hill, September 2021, since you submitted this report? **Eigenhauser:** No. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. **Eigenhauser:** Last year they started scouting out dates in January, but this year because they had to cancel the in-person, I'm not sure what they're doing. I don't even know if there is going to be an in-person this year. **Newkirk:** Alright George, thank you for that report.

(18) **EVERYCAT HEALTH FOUNDATION (FORMERLY WINN FELINE FOUNDATION).**

EveryCat Health Foundation Liaison George Eigenhauser presented the following report:



President:	Drew Weigner, DVM
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Veterinary Advisor:	Dr. Melissa Kennedy (U. of Tenn., College of Vet Med)
Scientific Advisors:	Karen Greenwood (Former Vice President of Project Management, Kindred Biosciences, Inc., Burlingame, California)
	Dr. Tracey Williams (Senior Principal Scientist, Global Therapeutics Research, Zoetis, Kalamazoo, Michigan)
	Dr. Kari Mundschenk (Professional Service Veterinarian, IDEXX Laboratories, Inc., Westbrook, Maine)
	Dr. Heidi Anderson (Senior Research and Development Manager, Wisdom Health, Helsinki, Finland)

Grant Review Program

- EveryCat is conducting an independent \$830,000 grant review over two years to investigate the relationship of dietary Calcium and Phosphorous to the development of Feline Kidney Disease. Called the Cap-K Project and sponsored by both Nestle Purina and Mars, Inc., it's the first time these two premier pet food manufacturers will work together for the benefit of feline health. The first review was held on November 19, 2020 where a total of \$84,513 was awarded for two grants.

- **To date, EveryCat has funded over \$7.7 million in feline health research at more than 30 partner institutions worldwide. CFA has good reason to be proud of their foresight and impact on the practice of feline medicine.**

Education

- *The EveryCat Monthly Educational Webinar, “ZOOMing in on Kitten Diarrhea” was held on October 15, 2020 with sponsorship from Royal Canin, in partnership with CFA and TICA. It was presented by Jody Gookin, DVM and moderated by Anthony Hutcherson. This webinar can also be viewed on our website.*
- *The EveryCat Monthly Educational Webinar, “Diabetes Mellitus: Why Cats are Different” was held on November 11, 2020 in partnership with CFA and TICA. It was presented by Audrey Cook, DVM and moderated by Vicki Thayer, DVM, and is available for viewing on our website.*
- *The EveryCat Monthly Educational Webinar, “Overcoming Adversity: Understanding the Health and Welfare of Orphaned Neonatal Kittens” was held on December 8, 2020 with sponsorship from Royal Canin, in partnership with CFA and TICA. It was presented by Mikel Delgado, DVM and moderated by Anne Ward, DVM, and is available for viewing on our website.*
- *The EveryCat Monthly Educational Webinar, “Feline Chronic Gingivostomatitis: Updates and Future Perspectives” was held on January 13, 2021 with sponsorship from VetCell Therapeutics, in partnership with CFA and TICA. It was presented by Boaz Arzi, DVM and moderated by Anthony Hutcherson, and is available for viewing on our website.*
- **EveryCat also produced two webinars for Veterinary Technicians:**
 - *“Work Smarter Not Harder for PURR-fect Health” was presented on October 14, 2020 by Kari Mundschenk, DVM with sponsorship by Idexx, in partnership with CFA and TICA, and moderated by Anthony Hutcherson. It is available on our website.*
 - *“Discussing Diabetes Mellitus: Empowering Technicians” was presented on October 17, 2020 by Kara Burns, LVT with sponsorship by Boehringer Ingelheim, in partnership with CFA and TICA, and moderated by Sherrie O’Brien, DVM. It is available on our website.*
- **EveryCat has partnered with the American Association of Feline Practitioners to develop and publish Guidelines for diagnosis and prevention of FIP. EveryCat is soliciting sponsorship in the amount of \$30,000 for these guidelines, which set the standard of care in feline medicine.**
- **EveryCat is currently planning our next webinars and is seeking sponsorship for production of ten more educational webinars in 2021. These webinars will offer RACE**

continuing education credits and will be appropriate for judges' continuing education requirements.

Donor Programs

- *Individual donations for the last quarter totaled \$168,994.*
- *Corporate donations for the last quarter equaled \$31,000*
- *We received one bequest in the last quarter for \$50,000.*

Infrastructure, Organization Structure, Systems, Operations

- *Pursuant to the Strategic Planning midterm update held June 2019, we have rebranded as EveryCat Health Foundation to revitalize and reinvigorate the brand. This change is vital to our continued growth and influence and will enable us to appeal to the wider audience of the owners of 80 million pet cats in the United States. It is also consistent with Robert H. Winn's futuristic vision to benefit feline medicine for generations to come.*
- *EveryCat is pleased to welcome Executive Director, Jackie Ott Jaakola, to our administration. Jackie has a wealth of experience in fundraising and brand development, having conceived and realized an innovative pet adoption facility, PetSpace, in the greater Los Angeles area for the Annenberg Family Foundation. Most recently, Jackie was Executive Director for Cat Depot, the largest feline shelter in the southeast.*

Upcoming Events

- *Monthly continuing educational webinars, ongoing*
- *EveryCat Grant Review, March 12, 2021*
- *Board Meeting, March 25, 2021*
- *Cap-K Project Review, June, 2021*

Recent Grant Awards

The following grants were awarded for the Cap-K Grant Project, sponsored by Purina and Mars to investigate the relationship of dietary phosphorous to the development of chronic kidney disease:

- *"Investigating the genetic basis of total body phosphate overload in cats with mild azotemic chronic kidney disease." Principal Investigator: Dr. Rebecca Geddes; Royal Veterinary College, London, United Kingdom.*
- *"Impact of feline circadian rhythms on phosphorus and parathyroid hormone concentrations." Principal Investigator: Dr. Andrea Fascetti, University of California-Davis.*

Respectfully submitted,
Drew Weigner, DVM
President, EveryCat Health Foundation
<http://www.EveryCat.org>

Newkirk: Now we will move on to the old Winn Feline Foundation name, which has now been updated to EveryCat Health Foundation. So George, you are recognized.

Eigenhauser: Actually, hopefully Drew has been promoted. **Tartaglia:** He is. **Weigner:** I am here. **Newkirk:** Welcome Drew. We appreciate you coming in today. **Weigner:** It's my pleasure. I wanted to mention, the last time I addressed the board was about two years ago in Verona, New York, which had nothing but a casino in it. I never thought I would ever want to go back to Verona, New York, but I would give anything to see you guys in Verona, New York. You have the report. I'm not going to go over it. I just wanted to give you some idea of what this entailed and why we did it. Basically, it was something that really grew so rapidly. No one thought 53 years ago that we would be this successful, except for Robert Winn who knew exactly what he was doing. You may not recall that in 2007 for your annual magazine, I wrote an article about him so I got to know a lot about him. He was very pragmatic and a visionary who very often spoke his mind and pushed others to be forward thinking, as well. While he would have been honored to be the namesake of our organization, he would have known that eventually it would be limiting and he wouldn't have liked that. In fact, it's really with his memory in mind that we dare to change to name to appeal to a broader audience. Initially, we were focusing primarily on pedigreed cats but for many years we have addressed the health and well-being of all cats, including shelter cats, feral cats, pet cats, every cat, and our new name declares this as the point of it. I think it's a name that Robert Winn would approve of. I hope he would applaud our vision and the fact that we try to reach a larger audience, but the fact is, we have become a victim of our success.

Weigner: In our next grant review next month, we will be able to fund about \$300,000 in grants. That's our budget, and at \$30,000 a grant, which is minimum, that's 10 grants. We have 64 proposals. Now, not all of them would pass our rigorous review process, but about half of them do, statistically, which means theoretically we could fund 30 grants if we had the funding, but that would mean \$960,000 – almost a million dollars. What it does mean, if you think about it, we could triple our impact right now, today, if we had the funding to do it. So, it's something that we have put a lot of thought into over the last year/year and a half or so, about how we would do this and how we would go about doing it. We looked at where we are and where we want to be. Currently, our donors own about 2 million cats in total, and there's about 80 million owned cats in the United States alone. If you figure there's 2.1 cats per household, which there is, that means there are 40 million people that own cats just in this country. If we only reach 1% of those, that's an additional 400,000 supporters. If they all donate \$10, that's \$4 million right there. So, our prospects are good if we can reach those people. That's what the rebranding is about. It is certainly not to lose, denigrate or diminish the memory of Robert Winn by any means. In fact, he was the reason that we did this, because we really thought very hard about what to do and how he would have done it, and I think that's really why we came to this point. Quite frankly, I would rather you guys just give us the money. Four million bucks would be great, but we know what kind of constraints you are under the last year. Everybody is. You have always done everything that you could for us, and we have always appreciated that. So, I'm not really here to ask you for that. What I would like to have is your endorsement. I will say that

there are some clubs that have reached out to use and they were a little bit concerned about what this meant and whether we were going to change. Really, the rebranding changes our name. It will change to some degree our donor base, we hope, but it's not going to change us. It's not going to change what we do, it's not going to change our focus. We're still dedicated to funding the same groundbreaking feline research that benefits every cat every day, and we're never going to change that. Honestly, I think that's what Robert Winn would want us to do.

Weigner: So, I wanted to give you a head's up on what this meant. It's not going to change much, other than the name. We'll always be a part of CFA and that will never change. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much Drew. That was a nice explanation. I'll be honest with you, I was a little bit taken aback when I saw it myself, and I sort of felt like it was an affront to Robert Winn when I first read it, but after I watched your video online and after hearing your report, this does make sense to me. I'm going to ask the board for some comments right now if that's OK with you. **Weigner:** OK.

DelaBar: Dr. Drew, I have had some correspondence going on with your Executive Director, who happens to have a Finnish last name and I am in Finland. I'm glad to see Heidi Anderson is part of the Scientific Advisors. She is out of Helsinki. Just some questions. Supposedly, there was strategic planning going on for a year. Was our liaison made aware of this? **Weigner:** Your liaison was part of it. Just to reiterate, this was addressed in all of the reports I made over the last year – not that I would have read all the reports cover to cover either – but it is something that we had brought to your attention from that standpoint. It really didn't amount to anything until fairly recently, so there was nothing really I could talk about because the process was lengthy and quite involved, and has come to fruition only really within the last two to three months. **DelaBar:** Supposedly, the donors had been surveyed. I was just wondering how many hundreds of thousands of dollars did CFA need to get before we were surveyed. **Weigner:** We didn't survey all the donors. We surveyed a selection of donors, about 10%, which is a fairly typical way of doing it. We also commissioned some focus groups and we used a marketing company to guide us through this. Rebranding is a fairly complex process to go through, and you do need professional help to do this properly. **DelaBar:** So noted. The website, which I have been over, there's no segue going from Winn Feline Foundation into EveryCat Health Foundation. One thing I do want to state, in the past when we have looked at the verbiage that was used, we didn't use "research," we used "health studies" because there is a major part of the population in the U.S. and somewhat in Europe over here that views "research" as cats with exposed skulls with electrodes put in their brains and stuff like that, where "health studies" has a much more positive connotation to it. The other comment I want to make is, as for breed-specific studies, CFA has always had as our first object to our constitution the wellbeing of all cats – not pedigreed cats, all cats. Our studies were such things as taurine content in cat foods, which I think helped all cats; early neuter/spay, which has had a phenomenal effect, not only on pet cats that CFA puts out, but also has had a major impact on shelters and humane societies. I had a Zoom meeting with the people in my region, which encompasses 42 countries throughout Europe. They're not happy. They think that, considering the history since 1968, CFA should have more impact and more acknowledgment of what this has been over these years. I know rebranding, I know branding and licensing very, very well. It's not an easy thing to do, but you don't cut off your history to go forward. It doesn't work. That's it, Darrell. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Pam. Do you want to respond to that, Dr. Drew? **Weigner:** It is something that we gave a lot of thought to. This is not something that you just go and do. Pam, obviously you know quite a bit

about this, so you can inform me. The process of doing this really was more of letting people know who we are and what we do. Robert Winn's name was an appropriate moniker for our organization when we were just part of CFA, which is how it started. Originally, it was the CFA Foundation back in 1968, but as we grew, we were dealing with more and more people who didn't know who Robert Winn was, nor did they know what we did. We were spending an inordinate amount of time explaining ourselves, and in order to reach the type and numbers of people that we would need to, to increase the impact of what we do, it became obvious to us that we needed to do something different. Thinking about how to do that was thinking about what Robert Winn would do. I'm not kidding about this. I don't mean to just keep bringing up his name out of respect, although that's certainly a very good way of doing it, but he was somebody who really thought outside the box. So, that's what we ended up doing, as well. As far as we're concerned, that was a way to honor his memory. What you're saying, Pam, however, is not falling on deaf ears. I think a transition to the name is something that should be more prominent on the website and I will tell you, making that new website out of the old site was one of the most excruciating experiences I have ever had. That took absolutely months, and it's still a work in progress to some degree, so that's not off the table and I appreciate you bringing it up, because I think it's a very good idea to accentuate that aspect of it. But, the bottom line is, what Robert Winn did and what CFA did then and I think what CFA still wants to do is impact the health and well-being of every cat. As you point out, that's what CFA stands for. We were told during our focus groups and some of the surveys that we did, that we were associated primarily with pedigreed cats. Certainly, we started that way but we have evolved from that, as well. Really, the way we look at it is, it's a cat. If it's going to benefit from what we do, then that's why we want to do it. So, I think the future that we have, the impact that we have and the impact that CFA will have by founding us will be greatly magnified by this process. I hope that we will make you proud.

[From end of ID Report] **Eigenhauser:** The survey that we were talking about, I remember it going out to CFA but I wanted to double check before I said something. It went out on CFA News on May 8th of 2020. So, if people had questions about why didn't CFA get the survey, it went out on CFA News.

Currle: Thank you for taking the time to address the board on this issue. It certainly took me by surprise. Why was CFA not included in the focus group, particularly since we were the founding author of this particular movement? Secondary, does your website have reference to the fact that CFA started this Foundation and that Mr. Winn was the one that was responsible. Those are my two questions. **Weigner:** Most of the people that we surveyed were CFA individuals – not all of them. They were donors of ours, but many, many of them were affiliated with CFA, so the donor base was surveyed. The website does speak about Robert Winn. In fact, I'm very pleased, Darrell, that you saw the video because I probably recorded that about 18 times before I got it, but it speaks very much about Robert Winn. Again, I've done quite a bit of research into his history and what I can find out about him. I would not go so far to say that I know him because I was 14 years old when he passed away, but I do think I understand what his point was, what his vision was, in doing this. One of the pages on our website talks about our partners. It was one I actually wrote myself because I thought it really was important to highlight the people not only that were associated with, but were responsible for our genesis. The very first partner on that page is CFA. It's prominently displayed along with your logo, because we do want to acknowledge the fact that we came from your organization. Even though we are now a stand-

alone organization, we will never really consider ourselves anything but associated with CFA. I think I can speak for my board in saying that, as well. I think George will corroborate that. We talk about this fairly frequently amongst our board.

Newkirk: Just viewing what's up on the screen right now, the only CFA person that I see on there is George Eigenhauser, and he's just the liaison to the CFA board. He's not really an official – **Eigenhauser:** No, I am an official board member. In addition to being the liaison to CFA, I am a Winn board member and have been for 17-18 years. **Newkirk:** OK. Well, that's not listed here. **Weigner:** We also did have another board member who has just retired, so we actually are looking for a board member or two, so if one of you would like the job, I would be delighted to speak with you. It was something that we brought up at one of our board meetings, that we need to keep that connection to CFA. We don't expect to ever let that go. **Newkirk:** I would just like, instead of "Liaison to CFA Board," I would like to see George listed as an EveryCat Health Foundation board member. That's my only suggestion. **Weigner:** You mean, listing him twice or just clarifying his title? **Newkirk:** Well, I mean, I don't know that you have to put that he's the liaison to the CFA board. We know George is the liaison, because he's the one that gives us the report on what you guys are doing. **Weigner:** I see. **Eigenhauser:** I have a suggestion. Maybe move me from standing alone to put me in with the other board members, but then just put parenthetically after my name, (*Liaison to CFA Board*). **Newkirk:** I think that would make me happy, anyway. I don't know about the rest of the board. **Weigner:** I will certainly do that.

Newkirk: Anyone else have any questions for Dr. Drew? Or George, for that matter? OK, I don't see anyone raising their hands. Dr. Drew, thank you very much for taking time from your day to come and address the board about the EveryCat Health Foundation. We appreciate that. **Weigner:** It's my pleasure, Darrell. Thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you. I hope to meet you in person soon. **Weigner:** I'll look forward to it. **Newkirk:** Thank you again.

(19) **INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.**

Liaison to Board: Kenny Currle

Newkirk: Let's go on to Order #19, which is the International Division. Kenny, I don't think there's much in here. We got a few emails from certain people. I don't know if Matt or Gavin or Russel have anything they want to add. **Currle:** I would like Allene to promote Russell, please. **Newkirk:** Is Bob Zenda on? I don't know if Bob is on or not. **Tartaglia:** There's a Bob28laptop. I have no idea who that is. **Newkirk:** In the chat, Bob28laptop said, "I am on." So Bob, just type in the chat if – **Tartaglia:** I promoted him. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. **Tartaglia:** And I changed his name. **Newkirk:** OK.

Currle: I'll go ahead and preface. Things have been very, very smooth in China. We have had a limited number of shows. Russell is going to present a review in his area. The Middle East has been totally quiet, with the exception of the cite that we have already discussed and will discuss in closed session. As far as the other areas of the ID, Bob is reporting, as well as Matt, that things appear to be under control and quiet, but a lot of this has to do with COVID, as much as what we're faced with in CFA. Once Russell gets on, he will give you the review of China, in particular.

Webb: Good afternoon. **Newkirk:** Hi Russell. Go ahead. **Webb:** I'm just going to review some of the accomplishments that we made in China. We implemented an entry clerk system in mainland China and we invited five candidates to join our program. These candidates were chosen by myself, Eva and Gavin. We asked that they have experience in ring clerking and master clerking, and also some command of the English language. To be fair, we chose them from all different areas. They represent the north, east and west. They had a 90 minute entry clerk training program through Zoom. They all worked with CFA IT and took an entry clerk test. Thank God they all passed. I was going to cover the WeChat app but Gavin covered it. I do hope we have a demo for the March meeting.

Webb: The Associate Judge Program. When I became Chair, this Program was just being implemented and I can tell you I received many emails from exhibitors saying that they were displeased with this Program. They felt the applicants weren't picked in a fair way, and actually some wanted to show in other organizations. I did explain to them that they will be under the supervision of the CFA Judging Program and I begged them actually to enter the shows, and if they do they might be surprised on what they see, and please give CFA a chance. Our first show was held October 24th by Mountain City Cat Fan Club. It was a licensed CFA show. It had two allbreed rings and I think the entries were 101. I was told that the exhibitors came from many parts of China. So, I'm glad that they listened to me and give us another chance.

Webb: Also, just an update, we're having many new clubs applying from all different areas of China. The clubs, a lot of them, are looking for dates to put on shows. So, I feel that CFA now is getting stronger in China. I think also that my team and myself have proven to the exhibitors that things going forward will be fair and all will have input. I want everybody's input from China, to see if we can improve things on how shows are produced.

Webb: Last, I would like to thank Kenny for his continued support and help, as I am always picking his brain, and to the board for their support and approval on moving China forward. You have been a great help. My goal when I was asked to be Chair was to promote fairness and unity in China, and I feel myself and my team have accomplished this. I think you all for your time. **Newkirk:** Thank you Russell. We really appreciate that. That's what it's all about, unification.

Zenda: As I said earlier in my email, not a heck of a lot has been going on because of the pandemic, but I've been keeping in touch with the clubs in the ID, mainly working with them making sure that they got re-registered and got their dues and membership lists in, because interest without shows obviously wanes unless we keep encouraging them. As you know, we made quite a bit of progress. There's only 13 clubs left in the ID that have not submitted their dues and membership lists. I'll keep working on that. I would like to thank the board and Anne Mathis for bringing the Associate Judging Program forward for other countries in the ID. I hear from the clubs, as well, in the ID who wondered how successful it's going to be. I think they are a little surprised and pleased to see how well it's going. Although I'm not on the China Committee, I certainly have a lot of relations with them and I hear from the people who are in that Program. They are delighted and honored and pleased to be a part of it. I think we're going in the right direction. **Newkirk:** Great, Bob. Thank you very much.

Newkirk: Gavin, would you or Matt like to add anything? Eva? **Wong:** Matt here. I have nothing to add, thanks. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Matt. I appreciate you signing on today. **Cao:** We don't have anything to report on right now, thank you.

Newkirk: Do you want to take a break, or shall we continue on with Club Applications? **Eigenhauser:** Before we take a break, can I just go back to one item? [Transcript goes to EveryCat Health Foundation report.] **Newkirk:** Thank you George for that.

Morgan: First of all, I would like to thank Kenny and Russell and Bob and Anne and all of them for the work I know that they have to be doing frantically behind the scenes for our International Division, but does anyone else have a problem with the fact that none of this was basically given to us in a report form, the way that all of our other committees have done? It doesn't give us a chance really to put together any questions if we don't really know what's being addressed. Maybe I'm just being unreasonable on that. I just thought I would mention that. **Newkirk:** I will tell you, Melanie. When I saw the report was blank, I sent an email to Russell, to Bob and to Kenny saying, "is there nothing to report for your division?" So anyway, some of them sent a quick email back to me that basically there wasn't much to report, just like Matthew did. Maybe I should have shared that, but it wasn't an official report, it was just an inquiry that I sent out. I agree with you, we should have something written so that we can read and if we have questions that we can query the chairs of those committees. I agree with you. **Morgan:** It's a really important area for us, in terms of growth and our future. This is a perfect opportunity when we're not all that crazed actually doing regular business, for us to be addressing issues. For us not to have any action items or updates or whatever, to me, it's a lost opportunity. **Currle:** Just to respond to Melanie, because things are going so smooth, there really, really wasn't anything to report at this particular time. I just had intended for Russell to do a review and that's exactly what he did. I'm very, very proud of what this Committee has done and what they have accomplished thus far. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny. Any other comments on the ID?

Newkirk: It's 12:27 here on the west coast, so let's take a 10 minute break. We will resume at 12:37. Allene, if you will pause the recording. See you in 10 minutes everyone.

BREAK.

(20) **CLUB APPLICATIONS.**

Committee Chair: Carol Krzanowski

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

New clubs applying for CFA membership were reviewed and presented to the Board for consideration. Assistance and guidance were provided to clubs with questions and issues regarding membership and applications.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Club Resignations (Attachment A)

Six clubs submitted their resignations to the CFA Central Office. The clubs are listed below, along with the effective dates of their resignations:

1. *Cats Without Borders, Region 1, effective December 8, 2020*
2. *Flamingo Cat Fanciers, Region 7, effective January 6, 2021*
3. *Moscow Cat Fanciers, Region 9, effective January 7, 2021*
4. *New Hampshire Feline Fanciers, Region 1, effective December 7, 2020*
5. *Salt City Cat Club, Region 1, effective December 8, 2020*
6. *Up In Smoke Society, Region 7, effective November 30, 2020*

Action Item: *Accept the above listed club resignations with regret, as of the effective dates noted.*

Newkirk: OK, the break time has expired. It's 37 past the hour. The meeting will come back to order. Our next Order of Business is Order #20, which is Club Applications. Carol Krzanowski, you are recognized. **Krzanowski:** Thank you Darrell. Before we get into the applications, I do have some other action items to consider. First of all, as listed in the Club Report, six clubs submitted resignations to CFA – three from Region 1, two from Region 7 and one from Region 9. My motion is to accept the above-listed club resignations, with regret, as of the effective dates noted. **Anger:** Rachel will make a standing second to Carol's motions. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you so much. Is there any discussion? So, we have a motion and a second on the club resignations. Is there any further discussion? Is there any objection to the resignations of these six listed clubs? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, with regret, the motion is adhered to.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

In their letter of resignation, Up In Smoke Society requested that their club name never be reissued or reused by another club.

Action Item: *The club name Up In Smoke Society shall not be reissued or reused by any other CFA club.*

Krzanowski: The next item is, the Up In Smoke Society included in their resignation a request that the club name not be reissued to any CFA club. They wish the name to always be remembered as a highly respected club that functioned with the greatest integrity. My action item is that *the club name Up In Smoke Society shall not be reissued or reused by any other CFA club.*
Newkirk: OK, and we have a standing second from Rachel to Carol's motions. Is there any discussion on this action item? Is there any objection to the action item, as stated by Carol? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, the motion is agreed to.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Club Name Change Request (Attachment B)

Current Name:	Tokyo Sky Tree Cat Club (Region 8)
Proposed Name:	Catule Cat Club
Conflict with Existing Names:	The new name does not conflict with any existing CFA club name.
Reason:	The club would like to trim the existing name in order to create a new tradition and carry it forward through cat shows and other events. All the club officers and members support this change. The Japan Regional Director supports this change.

Action Item: Approve the request by the Tokyo Sky Tree Cat Club to change their name to Catule Cat Club, effective immediately.

Newkirk: OK Carol, continue. **Krzanowski:** The next item is a club name change request from Tokyo Sky Tree Cat Club in Region 8. It wishes to change their name to Catule Cat Club. This club would like to shorten the current name and start a new tradition through cat shows and events geared to increase interest among the cat owning public in Japan. My motion to *approve the request by the Tokyo Sky Tree Cat Club to change their name to Catule Cat Club, effective immediately.* **Newkirk:** Thank you Carol for stating the motion. We have a motion. Is there any discussion? We also have a standing second by Rachel. Hearing no discussion, is there any objection to the name change for the Region 8 club? Seeing no objection, by unanimous consent, the name change for Tokyo Sky Tree Cat Club to Catule Cat Club is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Club Regional Reassignment Request (Attachment C)

Club Name:	The Crafty Cat
Current Region:	Southwest, Region 5
Proposed Region:	Southern, Region 7
Reason:	All officers and members except one reside in Region 7. This club originated in Region 7 and the members wish to have it reassigned there. The current secretary has held this office since 2020 and has been a club member since the late 1990's or early 2000's. The club intends to be active and conduct business in Region 7 by producing or co-producing a show in Region 7.

In accordance with the CFA Constitution, Article III – Membership, Section 4 – Regional Assignment, The Crafty Cat has submitted a petition to the Board for reassignment from Region 5 to Region 7. Under normal procedures, the club would be eligible for reassignment in 2025 based on the same section of the Constitution as mentioned above. The request was not pre-noticed as it was received too close to the report deadline. The Southern Regional Director is in favor of the reassignment, and the Southwest Regional Director has no objection.

Action Item: *Approve the request by The Crafty Cat for immediate reassignment from Region 5 to Region 7.*

Newkirk: Carol, go ahead. **Krzanowski:** The next item is a club regional reassignment request. The Crafty Cat, currently assigned to Southwest Region 5 is requesting permission to be reassigned to Southern Region 7. They wish that to happen immediately. The Southern Region is where the club first originated. The current secretary resides in the Southern Region, as do most other members. The secretary has held this office since January 2020, and she has been a club member since the late 1990's or early 2000's. Under normal procedures, the club would be eligible for reassignment in 2025. The club intends to be active in the Southern Region by producing or co-sponsoring shows there. The Southern Regional Director supports the reassignment and the Southwest Regional Director has no objection. My motion is to *approve the request by The Crafty Cat for immediate reassignment from Region 5 to Region 7.* **Newkirk:** And this is according to the constitution. Is that correct, Carol? **Krzanowski:** Yes, that is correct. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. So, we have a motion and a standing second to *Approve the request by The Crafty Cat for immediate reassignment from Region 5 to Region 7.* **Eigenhauser:** I have no substantive objection to the reassignment. If the club wants to do it and the regions are happy, I'm fine with it, but the constitution is relatively silent as to the procedure, as to how we reassign clubs from one region to another. My suggestion is, we follow a procedure similar to when we accept a new club. If clubs in a region should have a say about whether a new club comes in their region, shouldn't they have a say as to whether an old club comes in the region, too? I would like to see this pre-noticed so that the clubs in the target region can express their opinion. Now, they may all be in agreement with it. I'm not anticipating any problems, but as a matter of procedure, I think when we're going to move a club from a region to a region, we ought to pre-notice it just like we pre-notice a new club coming up, so the clubs in the affected region can express their opinion. **Newkirk:** Thank you George. **DelaBar:** I wrote the constitutional amendment to allow this, to actually reflect where the club is being active. I don't have a problem with it being pre-noticed. Actually, I thought this was pre-noticed. It's not a problem either way. It's where we're actually seeing activity, and that's what we were trying to get out. I actually thought that I saw that this was happening previously, before I even read Carol's report. **Newkirk:** I think the important clause in the constitution is the last sentence: *... may petition the board to be assigned to the new region.* **Currle:** This club intends on being active within our region. I've been in close contact with them. If need be, to follow constitutional, we would need 2/3 – is that correct? – if we noticed it right now, or it would have to be unanimous? **DelaBar:** No. **Newkirk:** I didn't understand your question, Kenny. **Currle:** If this is voted down according to the constitution at this time, can we immediately have a motion to accept it. **Newkirk:** It's not against the constitution. That was why I asked Carol, "we're in accordance with the constitution." George thought it should be pre-noticed so other clubs can make comments on it, but that's not a constitutional requirement. All it says is that – **DelaBar:** *... shall petition the board.* **Newkirk:** Yeah, *... may petition.* It says "may." *... may petition the board to be assigned to the new region.*

So, George has the opportunity to make an amendment to the constitution to require that, but it's not required by the constitution right now. **Anger:** What I wanted to say was, I think George has a great idea. Full disclosure is always the preferred method, so everybody is comfortable with it. Of course, this club I don't think we should subject to that, because that would be unfair prejudice against them, but going forward if that's something that we want to do, I think we should certainly consider it. **Krzanowski:** This club, the relocation was not pre-noticed because I received the request too close to the report date. However, it's not required to be pre-noticed in the CFA constitution. I might add that even clubs that change regions by the normal procedure after 5 years of a secretary being in another region, those are not pre-noticed in any way. That's another thing to think about. **Newkirk:** That's a good point, Carol. Thanks for bringing that up. **P. Moser:** OK, I just want clarification, because according to the constitution it's supposed to be 5 years in the region and then they can go over. We tried to do those amendments on the floor and they have been voted down, so if this is the case then you're saying that any club can do this. I didn't know that any club could. If they wanted to – for instance, if a club goes maybe overseas and they're not going to, then they can go ahead and come to the board and ask for them to be reassigned right away. Is that correct? **Newkirk:** Pam, let me read you the full sentence from the constitution. *Member clubs that have reorganized outside the current assigned region, have conducted activities outside the current assigned region and the secretary also resides outside the current assigned region may petition the board to be assigned to the new region.* **P. Moser:** OK. That answers my question. **Newkirk:** So, they are completely in compliance with the constitution in doing this. **P. Moser:** Thanks. **Newkirk:** You're welcome. Any other discussion? So, the motion is to *Approve the request by The Crafty Cat for immediate reassignment from Region 5 to Region 7.* Is there any objection to the proposed action item? **Eigenhauser:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK. All those in favor of the motion, please raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser, Morgan, P. Moser, Calhoun and Colilla voting no.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Secretary Anger, Pam DelaBar, Cyndy Byrd, Kenny Currle, Brian Moser, Howard Webster, Cathy Dunham, Steve McCullough, Yukiko Hayata and Sharon Roy. Any other yesses? If the yesses will please lower their hands. I'm calling for the no votes. The no votes are George Eigenhauser, Melanie Morgan, Pam Moser, Kathy Calhoun and John Colilla. Are there any abstentions? Rachel, when you're done, you can announce the vote. **Anger:** Thank you. There were 12 yes votes, 5 no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel, I appreciate that. So, the motion is adopted.

Newkirk: OK Carol, back to you. **Krzanowski:** That concludes the other action items regarding club membership, so now we will move on to the club applications. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you.

New Club Applicants

Six clubs were pre-noticed for membership (Attachment D). The applicants are:

1. *China Caesar Cat Club, International Division - China; Russell Webb, Chair*
2. *China Free Heart Cat Club, International Division - China; Russell Webb, Chair*

3. *China Star Shiny Exotic Fanciers Alliance, International Division - China; Russell Webb, Chair*
4. *Kingpower Cat Lover Club, International Division - China; Russell Webb, Chair*
5. *Soochow Riverside Cat Fanciers' Club, International Division - China; Russell Webb, Chair*
6. *Universal Cats Club, Region 9 - Italy; Pam DelaBar, Director*

Krzanowski: We have six new club applications to consider today, 5 from China and one from Italy. I will make a standing motion to accept all of them, reserving the right to vote no.

Newkirk: Allene, can you put Russell Webb into the meeting? Go ahead Carol, while she is getting Russell in. **Krzanowski:** OK, thank you.

***China Caesar Cat Club (Attachment E)
International Division - China; Shanghai, China
Russell Webb, Chair***

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 16 members. None of the members are members of other CFA clubs. All of the members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors with CFA registered cattery names. Three members have show production experience, and one member has clerking experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce four to six shows a year in Shanghai, Chongqing and Chengdu. The dues have been set. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to the Shanghai Blue Ribbon Cat Association, a group that rescues stray cats and practices TNR. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - China Chair and the International Division Representative for China support this club.

Krzanowski: The first application is from China Caesar Cat Club. This club is located in Shanghai, one of four direct-controlled municipalities in China. It is situated on the Yangtze River Delta in the central area of the east China coast. Shanghai is China's largest city and with a population of over 24 million, it is considered to be the world's second most populous city. The city is a global center for scientific research along with many industries, and the Port of Shanghai is the busiest container ports in the world. All of the members are active CFA breeders and exhibitors. Three members have show production experience, and one member has clerking experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce four to six shows a year in Shanghai, Chongqing and Chengdu. **Newkirk:** Great, thank you. Russell Webb, do you have any comments? **Webb:** No. I spoke with Carol on this. I agree to let the club in. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal, thank you. Any comments or questions from the board members on this club application? Is there any objections to accepting China Caesar Cat Club as an ID club in China? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, welcome China Caesar Cat Club to the CFA family.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

China Free Heart Cat Club (Attachment F)
International Division - China; Nan'an, Chongqing, China
Russell Webb, Chair

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 19 members. One member is a member of another CFA club, and two members appear on another application. All members except one are active CFA breeders and exhibitors with CFA registered cattery names. One member has show production experience, two members have clerking experience and one member is the ID Representative for China. This is an Exotic and Persian fanciers club and if accepted, the club plans to help promote CFA and produce four to six shows a year in Chengdu and Xi'an. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a local animal shelter. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - China Chair supports this club.

Newkirk: Go ahead Carol for the next one. **Krzanowski:** The next application is China Free Heart Cat Club. This club is located in Na'an, a district of Chongqing municipality. Chongqing is another of the four direct-controlled municipalities in China and is situated in the Sichuan Basin of southwest China on the upper Yangtze River. Chongqing serves as an important river port, economic center and transportation hub. With a population of over 28 million that includes the city of Chongqing along with a number of other cities, districts and counties, the municipality is the largest in southwest China. All of the members except one are active CFA breeders and exhibitors. One member has show production experience, two members have clerking experience and one member is the ID Representative for China. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, they plan to produce four to six shows a year in Chengdu and Xi'an.

Newkirk: OK, thank you Carol. Russell Webb, any comments? **Webb:** No. I approve it.

Newkirk: OK, thank you very much. Any discussion on China Free Heart Cat Club being accepted as a CFA club in the China-International Division? I see no questions. Is there any objection to the acceptance of China Free Heart Cat Club? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, China Free Heart Cat Club is accepted as a CFA club and we welcome you to the CFA family.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

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Newkirk: Carol, next club. **Krzanowski:** The next two clubs are both located in Chengdu, a sub-provincial city and the capital of Sichuan Province in the southwest area of China. Sichuan is famous as the home of giant pandas. Chengdu has a population of over 14 million and is an important and diverse economic area with a variety of industries.

China Star Shiny Exotic Fanciers Alliance (Attachment G)
International Division - China; Chengdu, Sichuan, China
Russell Webb, Chair

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 18 members. Two members are members of another CFA club, and two members appear on another application. All members are active CFA exhibitors, and all members except one are breeders with CFA registered cattery names.

One member has show production experience, three members have clerking experience and one member is the ID Representative for China. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to help promote CFA and produce five to eight shows a year in Chongqing and Chengdu. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a local animal shelter. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - China Chair supports this club.

Krzanowski: The next club is China Star Shiny Exotic Fanciers Alliance. This is a club located in Chengdu. All of the members are active CFA exhibitors, and all members except one are breeders with CFA cattery names. One member has show production experience, three members have clerking experience and one member is the ID Representative for China. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans produce five to eight shows a year in Chongqing and Chengdu. **Newkirk:** We're talking about China Star Shiny Exotic Fanciers Alliance, OK? Russell Webb, any comments? **Webb:** No, I approve. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. Any comments or questions for Carol or Russell about China Star Shiny Exotic Fanciers Alliance? Seeing no questions, is there any objection to the acceptance of China Star Shiny Exotic Fanciers Alliance? That's a tongue twister, wow. Any objection? Hearing no objection, China Star Shiny Exotic Fanciers Alliance is accepted as a CFA club. Welcome to the CFA family.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Kingpower Cat Lover Club (Attachment H)
International Division - China; Chengdu, Sichuan, China
Russell Webb, Chair

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 10 members. None of the members are members of other CFA clubs. All members are active CFA exhibitors, and all members except one are breeders with CFA registered cattery names. One member has show production experience and seven members have clerking experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to help promote CFA and conduct educational seminars, as well as produce six or more shows a year in Chengdu and Beijing. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a local cat shelter or used to help educate the public on cat welfare. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - China Chair and the International Division Representative for China support this club.

Newkirk: Carol, next club. **Krzanowski:** The next club is Kingpower Cat Lover Club. This is another club located in Chengdu. All of the members are active CFA exhibitors, and all members except one are breeders with CFA cattery names. One member has show production experience, and seven members have clerking experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans produce six or more shows a year in Chengdu and Beijing. **Newkirk:** Russell Webb, any comments? **Webb:** No, I am good with them. **Newkirk:** OK, fantastic. Any questions for Russell or Carol on Kingpower Cat Lover Club? Is there any objection to the acceptance of Kingpower Cat Lover Club into the CFA family? Hearing no objections, welcome Kingpower Cat Lover Club.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Soochow Riverside Cat Fanciers' Club (Attachment I)
International Division - China; Taiwan, Republic of China
Russell Webb, Chair

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 20 members. While the secretary lives in Taiwan, the club's activities will be centered in Jiangsu Province. None of the members are members of other clubs. Four members are active breeders with CFA registered cattery names, and all members are active CFA exhibitors. Seven members have show production experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to hold educational seminars, clerking schools and produce one or more shows a year in the greater Suzhou area. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to a small animal protection association. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The International Division - China Chair and the International Division Representative for China support this club.

Krzanowski: The next application is Soochow Riverside Cat Fanciers' Club. This club is based in Taiwan where the secretary resides, but the club's activities will be centered in Jiangsu Province. Situated on the coastline north of Shanghai, Jiangsu Province is a national economic and commercial center that is home to many of the world's leading exporters of electronics, chemicals and textiles. With a population of over 80 million, Jiangsu is the most densely populated province in China. All of the members are active CFA exhibitors, and four members are breeders with CFA cattery names. Seven members have show production experience. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans produce one or more shows a year in the greater Suzhou area of southeastern Jiangsu Province. **Newkirk:** Russell Webb, you're recognized. **Webb:** I'm OK with the club. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. Any questions on this club? Any objections to Soochow Riverside Cat Fanciers' Club? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, the club is accepted. Welcome to the CFA family.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Universal Cats Club (Attachment J)
Europe Region; Caserta, Italy
Pam DelaBar, Director

The constitution and by-laws are in order. There are 10 members. While the secretary lives in Caserta, the club's activities will be centered in Rome. One member is a member of another CFA club. Four members are active breeders with CFA registered cattery names, and all members are active CFA exhibitors. Two members have show production and clerking experience in another association. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to help promote CFA in Italy and encourage participation in CFA events, as well as produce two or three shows a year in various cities throughout Italy. If the club is disbanded, the funds will be donated to charities for cat rescue. This club was pre-noticed and no negative letters have been received. The Europe Regional Director supports this club.

Newkirk: Carol, you are recognized. **Krzanowski:** The next application is Universal Cats Club. This club is based in Caserta, Italy where the secretary resides, but the club's activities will be centered in Rome, the country's capital. Rome is situated in the central-western portion of the Italian Peninsula, and this metropolitan city has a population of over 4 million.

Rome is well known throughout the world for its rich and ancient history as well as its historical architecture, which makes it one of the top tourist destinations. Modern day Rome is also home to many international companies and banks. All members are active CFA exhibitors, and four members are breeders with CFA cattery names. Two members have show production and clerking experience in another association. This is an allbreed club and if accepted, the club plans to produce two or three shows a year in various cities throughout Italy. **Newkirk:** Pam DelaBar, you are recognized. **DelaBar:** Looking forward to this group coming in. This brings us some new people. They will basically be working in the southern part of Italy. Caserta is south of Rome and north of Naples and our other Italian cat club, of course, operates in the more northern part. So, we're going to cover Italy and even bring in more people. I fully support this club. **Newkirk:** Great, thank you very much, Pam. Is there any comments or questions for Pam or Carol on Universal Cats Club? Seeing no one raising their hand, is there any objection to the acceptance of Universal Cats Club for Italy? Seeing no objections, by unanimous consent, Universal Cats Club is accepted as a CFA club. Welcome to the CFA family.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Carol? **Krzanowski:** That concludes my report. Thank you very much.
Newkirk: Thank you very much, Carol.

Future Projections for Committee:

Process and submit new club applications for consideration by the Board.

Time Frame:

February 2021 to April 2021 CFA Board meeting.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

All new clubs that have applied for membership and satisfactorily completed their documentation.

*Respectfully submitted,
Carol Krzanowski, Chair*

(21) **SHOW RULES.**

Committee Chair: Monte Phillips
Liaison to Board: Carol Krzanowski
List of Committee Members: Cathy Dunham, Kathy Gumm, Shirley Michaud-Dent

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Committee has reviewed and prepared show rule changes as passed in concept by the Board at its December and January meetings.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Updating rules based on Board requests.

Future Projections for Committee:

The committee will be incorporating those rules adopted at this meeting into the version taking effect for the next show season. The committee will be proofing the current rules to ensure all changes have been incorporated from prior board meetings, and in preparation for publication of the 2021-2022 show rules, including changes from this meeting involving breed issues (color class additions/corrections, breed acceptances or advancements, etc.) that would require show rule changes.

Newkirk: We'll move on to Order #21, which is Show Rules. Carol, that's you also.
Krzanowski: I will make a standing motion to accept the Show Rules, as written. These cover the Grand of Distinction changes to the Show Rules that were already passed by the board previously. It just puts the official wording in place. **Newkirk:** Allene, do you want to bring Monte into the panel? I know he was on earlier. I don't know if he is on now. **Tartaglia:** There he is. **Newkirk:** I see him.

Action Items:

1 –Revise Show Rules 28.08 and 29.04 - Modify Grand of Distinction Requirements

Rule # 28.08	Board Action at December Board Meeting	
Existing Wording		Proposed Wording
Any cat that achieves 15 or more top 10/ top 15 finals during Show Season 2020-2021 will achieve an “eligible year” toward the Grand of Distinction title, with an exception of Hawaii where 5 finals are required. Finals may be any combination of Allbreed or Specialty finals, in championship, premiership or any combination of these two. (Note: only one final in a Super Specialty ring will count toward		Any cat that achieves 15 30 or more top 10/top 15 finals during Show Season 2020-2021 will achieve an “eligible year” toward the Grand of Distinction title, with an exception of Hawaii where 5 finals are required. Finals may be any combination of Allbreed or Specialty finals, in championship, premiership or any combination of these two. (Note: only one final in a Super Specialty ring will count toward

eligibility.) The three eligible show seasons to achieve the title do not have to be consecutive. For a final to count for this title, there must be at least 2 cats in that final. Cats achieving this title will still compete in regular Grand Champion and Grand Premier classes.	eligibility.) The three eligible show seasons to achieve the title do not have to be consecutive. For a final to count for this title, there must be at least 2 cats in that final. <u>per season in three separate seasons is eligible for the “Grand of Distinction” title (abbreviated GCD or GPD). At least 20 of these finals in each season must be in Allbreed rings. Exception to be made for Hawaii to achieve a Grand of Distinction title: any cat that achieves 10 or more finals per season in three separate seasons shall be eligible to claim the "Grand of Distinction" title. Nine of the ten finals must be Allbreed rings. These finals may be achieved in either championship or premiership class, or a combination, in each season. Exception for ring requirements also to be made for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 show seasons. For those two aforementioned show seasons, the requirements for finals is halved for total rings, with no requirement that any final be achieved in a particular type of ring (allbreed or specialty). For a final to count toward this award, there must be at least two cats in that final. The “of distinction” suffix will be added to the title corresponding to the class in which the cat competed in the third season with 30 the requisite finals. Cats who have achieved this title will still compete in the regular Grand Champion/Grand Premier classes.</u> <u>This title will be automatically added to a cat's record once the requirements have been met.</u>
Rule # 29.04	Board Action at January Board Meeting
Existing Wording	Proposed Wording
Any HHP cat that achieves 30 or more top 10/top 15 finals per season in three separate seasons and a minimum of 250 CFA award points in each of those seasons is eligible for the “Grand Household Pet of Distinction” title (abbreviated GHD). For a final to count toward this award, there must be at least two cats in that final. This title replaces the title of Grand Household Pet (GH). Exception to be made for Hawaii to achieve a “Grand Household Pet of Distinction” (abbreviated GHD) title: any cat that achieves 10 or more finals per season in three separate seasons and a minimum of 30 CFA award points in each of those seasons shall be eligible to claim the “HP Grand of Distinction” title, and for the 2020-2021 season only, a cat needs only 15 finals	Any HHP cat that achieves 30 or more top 10/top 15 finals per season in three separate seasons and a minimum of 250 CFA award points in each of those seasons is eligible for the “Grand Household Pet of Distinction” title (abbreviated GHD). For a final to count toward this award, there must be at least two cats in that final. This title replaces the title of Grand Household Pet (GH). Exception to be made for Hawaii to achieve a “Grand Household Pet of Distinction” (abbreviated GHD) title: any cat that achieves 10 or more finals per season in three separate seasons and a minimum of 30 CFA award points in each of those seasons shall be eligible to claim the “HP Grand of Distinction” title and for the <u>2019-2020 and 2020-2021 seasons only</u>, a cat needs

and a minimum of 100 points to count that season as one of the qualifying three. This title will be automatically added to a cat's record once the requirements have been met.	only 15 finals and a minimum of 100 points to count that season as one of the qualifying three. This title will be automatically added to a cat's record once the requirements have been met.
RATIONALE: At its December Board meeting, the board revised the text of show rule 28.08 by stating: "Effective 1 July 2020 until 30 April 2021, suspend the current provisions of Show Rule 28.08 and substitute the following: [text listed above]" By doing that, the text of the rule addressing all show seasons other than 2020-2021 was deleted for this show season. Also, the exception that was put in place for the 2019-2020 show season was not included. I'm sure what the board probably intended was to incorporate the above as an addition to, and not suspension of the current text. Also, the revision needs to address cats utilizing these seasons toward the title for whatever season the cat actually claims that title, including cats that claim it in the future. The proposal above addresses all of these necessities. As an aside, the rule that was suspended read as follows: "Any cat that achieves 30 or more top 10/top 15 finals per season in three separate seasons is eligible for the "Grand of Distinction" title (abbreviated GCD or GPD). At least 20 of these finals in each season must be in Allbreed rings. Exception to be made for Hawaii to achieve a Grand of Distinction title: any cat that achieves 10 or more finals per season in three separate seasons shall be eligible to claim the "Grand of Distinction" title. Nine of the ten finals must be Allbreed rings. These finals may be achieved in either championship or premiership class, or a combination, in each season. For a final to count toward this award, there must be at least two cats in that final. The "of distinction" suffix will be added to the title corresponding to the class in which the cat competed in the third season with 30 finals. Cats who have achieved this title will still compete in the regular Grand Champion/Grand Premier classes. This title will be automatically added to a cat's record once the requirements have been met." Similarly, show rule 29.04 was adopted at the January Board meeting, but did not address the reduced requirement put in place for the 2019-2020 show season. That modification is included here.	

Phillips: Specifically, when we first adopted the changes for the Grand of Distinction rules as a result of the COVID-19 issues, we forgot to address the 2019-2020 season. We lowered the requirement to half that year, just like we have done for this year, but we never put it in the rules. So, this covers that. Plus, this is a rule that basically has to talk about every show season from 2005 when the title was created in perpetuity. We can't just have a rule that talks about one show season. That's it. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Monte. Carol made the motion. I need a second. **Anger:** Rachel seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. Is there any discussion? There are two rules here. Are we doing it altogether or separately? **Phillips:** That was the plan. **Newkirk:** Do it altogether. OK, thank you Monte. I appreciate that. Alright, any discussion? Is there any objection to the motion to update these two Show Rules? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, the action item is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Thank you very much, Monte. **Phillips:** You're welcome. Have a great day. **Newkirk:** Alright, you do the same, buddy.

What will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Unless a significant issue is identified between completion of this report and the date when inputs are due to the Board for the April meeting, we do not anticipate making a presentation to any future meeting that would be part of the new rulebook. Current Point Minimums for National

Awards will remain in effect unchanged, but will need to be modified for the 2021-2022 show season if the decision is made to resume national awards for that season.

DelaBar: Darrell, I did have a question that was part of the rationale on the last report. Not the rationale, I'm sorry, What Will Be Presented at the Next Meeting. It says, *Current Point Minimums for National Awards will remain in effect unchanged, but will need to be modified for the 2021-2022 show season if the decision is made to resume national awards for that season.* Does this infer that somebody is thinking that there will be national awards which will remain unchanged? **Newkirk:** We have none for this year. **DelaBar:** I know, I'm asking about the last sentence to the What Will Be Presented at the Next Meeting. **Phillips:** If you decide to have them, we will have to talk about it. **Newkirk:** Yes, thank you, Monte. I was going to say that. **DelaBar:** But you said, *Current Point Minimums for National Awards will remain in effect unchanged, but will need to be modified*, so that infers that we have them. Just wondered. **Phillips:** You do have point minimums, you just don't have any awards. **DelaBar:** We do? **Tartaglia:** Yes. **DelaBar:** OK. **Krzanowski:** I was just going to comment that we will have to, at some point, discuss whether we're going to do national awards for next season. At that point, we will also need to discuss if there will be any changes to the point minimums we had previously. So, while this may be construed to imply that we're definitely doing something, I don't think that was the intent. I think it just means that we need to give it some thought. **Newkirk:** That needs to be brought up in April. Anything else there?

*Respectfully Submitted,
Monte Phillips, Chair*

(22) MILLENNIAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE.

Committee Chair: Lorna Friemoth
Liaison to Board: Rachel Anger
List of Committee Members: Jaime Lerner, Krista Schmitt, Nicole Turk

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The CFA International Top Cat Challenge finale sponsored by ZYMOX with proceeds benefitting the WINN Feline Foundation was a huge success. 1066 entries from seventeen countries entered the competition. We received 2124 votes in the Spectators' Choice competition as well, which was advertised as 100% of proceeds of the votes to be donated to the WINN Feline Foundation. The event generated 34,977 views on the VCC Portal. Eighty-one finals for the event are all available to watch publicly on the CFA VCC YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCghlPDEcAjvMaZQ3ecs80-w>, with the most interest being the Best of the Best video presentation created by Lorna Friemoth with 555 views, which can be seen at <https://youtu.be/ME9EM9-IjxY>

We would like to thank everyone who entered the event, who voted in the Spectators' Choice competition, to all forty-five of our judges (twenty-nine of which were volunteers, two from the WINN Feline Foundation itself), the entire Millennial Outreach committee for seeing this through thousands of hours of work from start to finish, and all of those who supported the proposal for this series at the board table. Lorna Friemoth completed all finals recordings with judges not able to self-record, uploaded all video files from all finals to YouTube, posted them on the VCC Portal, and in the Facebook event for the CITCC. She also created all the advertising media, Facebook posts for advertising our vendors, sponsors, and winners, as well as packaging and mailing all physical prizes that were donated by our sponsors to the winners. A huge thank you goes to Mary Kolencik for scoring each of the regional qualifiers and the CITCC event, Pat Jacobberger and Krista Schmitt for creating the PowerPoint finals for each judge, Carmen Johnson-Lawrence for auditing the PowerPoints for formatting and accuracy, Jaime Lerner for web design on the VCC platform, and Nicole Turk and Rhonda Avery for being our entry clerks for the CITCC finale. Thank you to Desiree Bobby for running the Facebook sponsored advertisements for the event, and for sending the prizes via Amazon. Thank you to Kathy Calhoun and Allene Tartaglia for compiling the P&L for the show. Finally, thank you to Rachel Anger for being there every step of the way for guidance and advice. You were a crucial member of our team and we are so grateful that you took such an active role in helping the event and series be a success. The Millennial Outreach Committee would also like to include a special thanks to all the judges, as well as the top three winners of the Spectators' Choice competition, who donated their earnings from the event to the WINN Feline Foundation.

The Best of the Best Winners for the Photo Event were as follows:

Best Cat in Championship: Kelela Aloha Hua of Tajhara, Owner Mary Franz

Best Kitten: Pinupcats Supa Dupa Fly of Kuroii, Owner Cyndee Hill

Best Cat in Premiership: Suavere's Dark Secret of Penobscot, Owner Ginger Gunlock

Best Household Pet Cat: Johnny, Owner Niki Feniak

The Best of the Best Winners for the Video Handling Event were as follows:

Best Cat in Championship: Sun-Silk RayRay, Owner Mary Myers

Best Kitten: Kokiri Summer Sky of NuDawnz, Owner Brianna Ciesla/Lorna Friemoth

Best Cat in Premiership: KawaiiKats Keiko Catsui of Bunikats, Owner Jaime Lerner

Best Household Pet Cat: Sassy, Owner Karen Beyers

Current Happenings of Committee:

None.

Future Projections for Committee:

None.

Board Action Items:

None.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Lorna Friemoth, Chair*

Newkirk: Now we can promote Lorna to the panel. [Transcript returns to Show Rules]. OK, let's move on to Order #22, Millennial Outreach. Lorna Friemoth, you're recognized.

Friemoth: Hey there everybody. I don't have anything to add to this report. We're waiting for the finalized P&L, which was not done before the cut-off for this meeting, so we will be back in April. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much for your short report. We appreciate it.

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Newkirk: That concludes our scheduled business for today. Rich, would you like to make a motion to suspend the rules so that we can take up Business Orders #25, #26, #27 has been withdrawn, and also take up #28? **Mastin:** Yes, I would like to do that. Is it possible that we may have time to do any unfinished business under Item #29? **Newkirk:** Let's do these and see where we're at, and then we can make a motion to suspend the rules at that point in time. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. That was my motion then. **Currle:** Kenny seconds. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion is to suspend the rules to take up Business Orders #25, #26 and #28. Is there any discussion? OK, is there any objection to suspension of the rules and taking up these three Orders of Business? Hearing no objection, the motion to suspend the rules is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Secretary's Note: The Officers and Board of Directors of the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. met on Sunday, February 7, 2021, via Zoom video conference. **President Darrell Newkirk** called the regular meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time. A roll call by **Secretary Rachel Anger** found the following members found to be:

Mr. Darrell Newkirk (President)
Mr. Richard Mastin (Vice President)
Ms. Rachel Anger (Secretary)
Ms. Kathy Calhoun (Treasurer)
Ms. Sharon Roy (NAR Director)
Mrs. Pam Moser (NWR Director)
Steve McCullough, D.C. (GSR Director)
Mr. John Colilla (GLR Director)
Mr. Howard Webster (SWR Director)
Mrs. Cathy Dunham (MWR Director)
Mr. Kenny Currle (SOR Director)
Ms. Yukiko Hayata (Japan Regional Director)
Ms. Pam DelaBar (Europe Regional Director)
Ms. Cyndy Byrd (Director-at-Large)
George Eigenhauser, Esq. (Director-at-Large)
Mrs. Carol Krzanowski (Director-at-Large)
Ms. Melanie Morgan (Director-at-Large)
Mr. Brian Moser (Director-at-Large)

Also Present:

Shelly K. Perkins, Attorney at Law, CFA Legal Counsel
Allene Tartaglia, Executive Director
James Simbro, IT Systems Analyst
Eva Chen, ID-China Representative
Gavin Cao, China Business Advisor
Matthew Wong, ID Representative

Absent:

None.

(23) BREEDS AND STANDARDS.

Newkirk: Our first Order of Business is Breeds and Standards. Rachel, do you want to take it and then welcome Teresa and Jacqui. **Anger:** I will. First of all, I would like to take a moment to thank Jacqui and Teresa, and to acknowledge the committee members for their hard work leading up to this report. Immediately upon their appointment in June by President Newkirk, they began preparing for and jumped right into the breed council balloting. This is also an election year for breed council secretaries and breed committee chairs, so every breed council or breed committee had a ballot. This is a huge project, and I am really quite in awe of everything that was accomplished. I do want to say that perfection is rarely a reality when dealing with humans, and we are all human. The words of Salvador Dali apply to us all, "Have no fear of perfection – you'll never reach it." What they lack in perfection, they have more than made up for with their persistence and enthusiasm. This committee has a mission and a clear vision of what they need to do, and how to do it better and more efficiently in the future, even though sometimes we don't know what we don't know until we find out we didn't know it. So, as we go through the report and the ballots, please keep in mind that this is their first time addressing the board in the balloting cycle. If it was me, I would be nervous and terrified, but sit back and just watch these guys, give them a chance and I am sure you will be impressed and proud like I am. Let's keep in mind that this ballot is their freshman attempt, we will overcome any glitches with teamwork and positivity, and let's all help them out with our attention, forgiveness and respect. So, now I would like turn it over to Jacqui Bennett and Teresa Keiger.

Bennett: Good morning board. Thank you for inviting us. Can you hear me? <yes> OK, as Teresa [sic, Rachel] said, we greatly appreciate the appointment and we did the very best we could. Like all human beings, where the previous committees have probably mistake proofed it, we built a better idiot and we performed that way, so please be patient with us.

Committee Co-Chairs:	Jacqui Bennett, Teresa Keiger
Liaison to Board:	Rachel Anger
List of Committee Members:	Anne Mathis, Michael Shelton, Donna Isenberg, Krista Schmidt

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Breed Council balloting was completed and results sent to the BC Secretaries on December 28, 2020. Thank you to Central Office for making this a smooth process.

A tie occurred in the balloting for European Breed Council Secretary (4 votes for each candidate). A reballot was sent to the 12 European Burmese breed council members on December 26, 2020. The reballot resulted in a further tie (5 votes for each candidate). Article XI of the CFA Constitution, Breed Council Secretary section, Paragraph 6 states: "If the vote is again a tie, the winner shall be determined by lot." An action item appears below.

MISC breed reports were received from Shirley Dent from all shows through the end of CY19 and summaries of the results have been sent to the Breed Committee Chairs. More concise summaries will be prepared for the Board. This continues to be a heavily manual process.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Compiling a color, pattern and structural term dictionary for standardization of future breed standards and standard changes.

Breed Council Ballots

<i>Breed</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>Ballots Returned</i>
<i>Abyssinian</i>	63	55
<i>American Bobtail</i>	5	4
<i>American Curl</i>	10	7
<i>American Shorthair</i>	38	27
<i>American Wirehair</i>	10	6
<i>Balinese/Javanese</i>	29	22
<i>Bengal</i>	80	67
<i>Birman</i>	49	35
<i>Bombay</i>	17	10
<i>British Shorthair</i>	34	24
<i>Burmese</i>	38	24
<i>Burmilla</i>	5	5
<i>Chartreux</i>	20	11
<i>Colorpoint Shorthair</i>	26	21
<i>Cornish Rex</i>	33	16
<i>Devon Rex</i>	25	19
<i>Egyptian Mau</i>	18	9
<i>European Burmese</i>	12	8
<i>Exotic</i>	84	76
<i>Havana Brown</i>	14	13
<i>Japanese Bobtail</i>	29	18
<i>Korat</i>	9	7
<i>LaPerm</i>	2	2
<i>Lykoi</i>	3	2
<i>Maine Coon</i>	81	61
<i>Manx</i>	19	13
<i>Norwegian Forest</i>	22	16
<i>Ocicat</i>	27	19
<i>Oriental</i>	57	39
<i>Persian</i>	180	127
<i>Ragamuffin</i>	26	20
<i>Ragdoll</i>	11	9
<i>Russian Blue</i>	39	26
<i>Scottish Fold</i>	25	18
<i>Selkirk Rex</i>	10	6
<i>Siamese</i>	58	50
<i>Siberian</i>	11	9

Singapura	7	6
Somali	14	12
Sphynx	10	8
Tonkinese	35	25
Turkish Angora	21	17
Turkish Van	5	2

2020 Breed Council Secretary Election Results

Abyssinian

Members.....63
 Ballots received.....55
Edward Fry.....32 **Elected**
 Abstain23

American Bobtail

Members.....5
 Ballots received.....4
Shelby Friemoth.....4 **Elected**
 Abstain0

American Curl

Members.....10
 Ballots received.....7
Michael Bull.....7 **Elected**
 Abstain0

American Shorthair

Members.....38
 Ballots received.....27
Carol W. Johnson17 **Elected**
 Dawn Skupin10
 Abstain0

American Wirehair

Members.....10
 Ballots received.....6
Jan Rogers.....5 **Elected**
 Abstain1

Balinese/Javanese

Members.....29
 Ballots received.....22
Lorna Friemoth.....20 **Elected**
 Abstain2

Bengal

Members.....80
 Ballots received.....67
 Melody Boyd9
Samantha Kerr58 **Elected**
 Abstain0

Birman

Members.....49
 Ballots received.....35
Karen Lane25 **Elected**
 Abstain10

Bombay

Members.....17
 Ballots received.....10
Jeri Zottoli9 **Elected**
 Abstain1

British Shorthair

Members.....34
 Ballots received.....24
Cynthia Byrd23 **Elected**
 Abstain1

Burmese

Members.....38
 Ballots received.....24
Art Graafmans.....15 **Elected**
 Karen Thomas.....9
 Abstain0

Burmilla

Members.....5
 Ballots received.....5
Stephanie Mohr.....5 **Elected**
 Abstain0

Chartreux

Members.....20
 Ballots received.....11
Orca Starbuck11 **Elected**
 Abstain0

Colorpoint Shorthair

Members.....26
 Ballots received.....21
Kathryn Brady18 **Elected**
 Abstain3

Cornish Rex

Members.....33
 Ballots received.....16
Michael Blees13 **Elected**
 Abstain3

Devon Rex

Members.....25
 Ballots received.....19
Linda Peterson19 **Elected**
 Abstain0

Egyptian Mau

Members.....18
 Ballots received.....9
Melanie Morgan8 **Elected**
 Abstain1

European Burmese

Members.....12
 Ballots received.....8
Judith Bemis4 Tie
Allene Keating4 Tie
 Abstain0

Exotic

Members.....84
 Ballots received.....76
Lynn A. Cooke50 **Elected**
 Cary R. Plummer24
 Abstain2

Havana Brown

Members.....14
 Ballots received.....13
LeAnn Rupy10 **Elected**
 Abstain3

Japanese Bobtail

Members.....29
 Ballots received.....18
Marianne Clark11 **Elected**
 Abstain7

Korat

Members.....9
 Ballots received.....7
Cheryl Coleman7 **Elected**
 Abstain0

La Perm

Members.....2
 Ballots received.....2
Dennis Ganoe2 **Elected**
 Abstain0

Maine Coon

Members.....81
 Ballots received.....61
Bethany Colilla55 **Elected**
 Abstain6

Manx

Members.....19
 Ballots received.....13
Joy Yoders Dey13 **Elected**
 Abstain0

Norwegian Forest Cat

Members.....22
 Ballots received.....16
J. Brook Cole14 **Elected**
 Abstain2

Ocicat

Members.....27
 Ballots received.....19
Sonja Moscoffian13 **Elected**
 Abstain6

Oriental

Members.....	57	
Ballots received.....	39	
Dotti Olsen	35	Elected
Abstain	4	

Persian

Members.....	180	
Ballots received.....	127	
Carissa Altschul	93	Elected
Abstain	34	

Ragamuffin

Members.....	26	
Ballots received.....	20	
Laura Gregory	12	Elected
Christine Jeffer.....	8	
Abstain	0	

Ragdoll

Members.....	11	
Ballots received.....	9	
Isabelle Bellavance	8	Elected
Abstain	1	

Russian Blue

Members.....	39	
Ballots received.....	26	
Annette Wilson	25	Elected
Abstain	1	

Scottish Fold

Members.....	25	
Ballots received.....	18	
Marilee Griswold	17	Elected
Abstain	1	

Selkirk Rex

Members.....	10	
Ballots received.....	6	
Laura Jo Barber	4	Elected
Abstain	2	

Siamese

Members.....	58	
Ballots received.....	50	
Betsy Arnold	49	Elected
Abstain	1	

Siberian

Members.....	11	
Ballots received.....	9	
Sherrie Phelps.....	4	
Iris Zinck	5	Elected
Abstain	0	

Singapura

Members.....	7	
Ballots received.....	6	
Ikuyo Takase	6	Elected
Abstain	0	

Somali

Members.....	14	
Ballots received.....	12	
Charlene Munro	11	Elected
Abstain	1	

Sphynx

Members.....	10	
Ballots received.....	8	
Cyndee Hill	9	Elected
Abstain	0	

Tonkinese

Members.....	35	
Ballots received.....	25	
Claire Dubit	24	Elected
Abstain	1	

Turkish Angora

Members.....	21	
Ballots received.....	17	
Alene Shafnisky	16	Elected
Abstain	1	

Turkish Van

Members.....5

Ballots received.....2

Linda Gorsuch.....2 **Elected**

Abstain 0

Board Action Items:

1. *Break the tie for European Burmese Breed Council Secretary.*

Bennett: I would like to start with the Breed Council Secretary elections. All elections were finalized, with the exception of the European Burmese. That election was reballoted with the Breed Council and tied twice. Per our constitution, the President needs to decide this by lot. Can we have a motion for the President to determine the European Burmese Breed Council Secretary? **Anger:** Rachel will so move, with a standing motion on everything. **DelaBar:** DelaBar will second. **Newkirk:** You go ahead with your report. What I'm going to do is, I'm going to write the names down, put them in a sack and then I'm going to pull out the winner. **Bennett:** Lovely. The email list has been updated with the new Breed Council Secretaries and we would like to officially congratulate everyone who was elected and to thank those who were not elected, for their participation and service. It's a voluntary job, it's a hard job, and we appreciate everybody's volunteering.

Newkirk: Jacqui, can you hang on a minute? Allene Keating is the ballot that was selected. **Morgan:** Darrell, we never voted on that motion and second, I don't think. **Newkirk:** OK. Well, Jacqui stated it's the constitution requirement. **Morgan:** Alright, never mind. Well, we had a motion and a second, so I'm just saying. **Newkirk:** OK, well then let's – anybody object to the motion? Hearing no objection, by lot, by unanimous consent, the European Burmese Breed Council Secretary will be selected.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: To do this, I wrote each person's name down – Judie and Allene – and I held both of those ballots up. You saw me. I shuffled them around and shuffled them around, and then when I stopped, I opened up the ballot and that ballot was Allene [Keating]. I have shown that on the screen here. So, nothing was done behind the scene here. I showed this up on the screen so everybody could see what I was doing. Here are both ballots, with Judie's name and Allene's name. Allene was selected, so Allene Keating will be the Breed Council Secretary for the European Burmese. OK Jacqui, go ahead.

Perkins: Before Jacqui begins, I just want to make sure that the motion that I heard that Rachel made was a standing motion for everything that's going to happen, so that there's a standing motion, not just for that vote. **Anger:** I confirm that, and Pam DelaBar has a standing second. **Newkirk:** OK, that's good. Let's proceed.

2. *Vote on ballot items passed on various Breed Ballots (attached). For reference purposes, the four categories of ballot items and specified threshold to pass each type of item are:*

- *Standard Change (requires 60% Yes vote to pass)*

- *Registration Rule Change (requires > 50% Yes vote to pass)*
- *Show Rule/Color Class Change (requires > 50% Yes vote to pass)*
- *Advisory Only*

Also, note that there is no rounding. The Yes vote must meet or exceed the required percentage.

Bennett: Our second item is ballot items. The vote on ballot items passed on various breed ballots. That's attached. For reference purposes, there are four categories of ballot items: standard changes, which require a 60% yes vote to pass; registration rule changes, which require a 50% vote to pass; show rule and color class changes, which require a 50% vote to pass; and advisory or information only. This year, in addition to the Breed Council Secretary elections, our Committee of six people processed 96 ballot items for standards and registration rules for 13 breeds. I'm kind of proud of that. That was a lot of work. We'll discuss those which met the criteria for passage momentarily. Please be aware that there are some specific concerns related to affected breeds for the Burmese and Burmilla proposals, as well as some issues on color class changes with the Exotics, which we will get to further. Please be aware that the breed councils, where color class changes were requested and they did not follow the color class matrix, they were informed of this several times and they stated that the previous boards had allowed them exceptions. Because of our relatively new station as Breeds and Standards, and the lack of experience from past years, we advised those breed councils that we would accept the ballot items but let the board decide whether or not exceptions to the color class matrix would be accepted. We'll talk about those more as we go on.

3. *Consider the Lykoi for advancement to Provisional status.*

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

The status of breed council secretary elections and any other pertinent items.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacqui Bennett and Teresa Keiger, Co-Chairs

The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. **2020 BREED COUNCIL POLL**

NOTE: "No action taken" indicates that a breed standard proposal did not meet or exceed a 60% (standard change) or 50% (registration issue) favorable vote from the voting members (i.e., no rounding down). Deleted text is shown with a ~~strike through~~ and new text is underscored.

ABYSSINIAN

Elected Breed Council Secretary: Edward Fry – Brownsboro, Alabama

Total Members: 63

Ballots Received: 55

- 1. PROPOSED:** Change from the color RED or RED (cinnamon gene) to CINNAMON.

EARS: alert, large, and moderately pointed; broad, and cupped at base and set as though listening. Hair on ears very short and close lying, preferably tipped with black on a ruddy Abyssinian, chocolate-brown on a ~~red~~ cinnamon Abyssinian, slate blue on the blue Abyssinian, or light cocoa brown on a fawn Abyssinian.

DISQUALIFY: white locket, or white anywhere other than nostril, chin, and upper throat area. Kinked or abnormal tail. Dark unbroken necklace. Grey undercoat close to the skin extending throughout a major portion of the body. Any black hair on a ~~red~~ cinnamon Abyssinian. Incorrect number of toes. Any color other than the four accepted colors.

ABYSSINIAN COLORS:

~~RED (cinnamon gene)~~ **CINNAMON:** coat rich, warm glowing red, ticked with chocolate-brown, the extreme outer tip to be darkest, with red-orange undercoat. Tail tipped with chocolate-brown. The underside and inside of legs to be a tint to harmonize with the main color. **Nose leather:** rosy pink. **Paw pads:** pink, with chocolate-brown between toes extending slightly beyond the paws.

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Abyssinian Color Class Numbers

Ruddy	0380	0381
<u>Red-Cinnamon</u>	0382	0383
Blue	0384	0385
Fawn	0386	0387
AOV	None	None

RATIONALE: Our Abyssinians are not sex-linked red; they are, in fact, cinnamon. The other associations have changed this color to cinnamon and in TICA and some other associations they take both the red and cinnamon. So, for those who may get a red from TICA, or others if it is the sex-linked red color and we do not have those, then it is possible to produce more colors we do not accept in CFA. In order to avoid anyone getting a sex-linked red and producing a tortoiseshell or blue-cream Abyssinian, we would like to correct our color to what it really is: **CINNAMON**.

YES: 37

NO: 17

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 54

60% of Voting: 32

Bennett: Let's talk about our first ballot item that passed. The Abyssinian Breed Council Secretary requested to change from the color name of red or red (cinnamon gene) to cinnamon, and update all the applicable text. This item passed with 37 votes; 32 were required for 60%. Are there any questions? **Newkirk:** Seeing no questions, is there any objection to the acceptance of Abyssinian Proposal #1? OK, seeing no hands up, by unanimous consent, Proposal #1 is ratified.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

AMERICAN BOBTAIL

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Shelby Friemoth – San Diego, California

Total Members: 5

Ballots Received: 4

1. **PROPOSED:** Color name changes to reflect genetically accurate names and shortening of color sections:

LAVENDER LILAC: frosty-grey with a pinkish tone, sound throughout. **Nose leather and paw pads:** lavender-pink.

CINNAMON: ...

FAWN: ...

SHADED PATTERN: undercoat white with a mantle of specified marking color tipping shading down from sides, face and tail from dark on the ridge to white on the chin, chest, stomach and under the tail. Legs to be the same tone as the face. Rims of eyes, lips and nose outlined with marking color. **Nose leather and paw pads:** color as defined below.

SHADED SILVER: **Nose leather:** brick red. **Paw pads:** black.

BLUE SHADED: **Nose leather:** blue or blue with pink tone. **Paw pads:** blue or blue with pink tone.

CHOCOLATE SHADED: **Nose leather:** pink. **Paw pads:** cinnamon.

LAVENDER SHADED: **Nose leather and paw pads:** lavender-pink.

CAMEO SHADED: **Nose leather and paw pads:** rose.

CINNAMON SHADED: **Nose leather:** pink. **Paw pads:** coral.

FAWN SHADED: **Nose leather:** fawn. **Paw pads:** pink.

CREAM SHADED: **Nose leather and paw pads:** pink

TORTOISESHELL SHADED: **Nose leather and paw pads:** as in the solids; may be mottled with pink.

BLUE-CREAM SHADED: **Nose leather and paw pads:** as in the solids; may be mottled with pink.

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL SHADED: **Nose leather and paw pads:** as in the solids; may be mottled with pink.

~~**CINNAMON TORTOISESHELL SHADED:** Nose leather and paw pads:~~ as in the solids; may be mottled with pink.

~~**LAVENDER CREAM SHADED:** Nose leather and paw pads:~~ as in the solids; may be mottled with pink.

~~**FAWN CREAM SHADED:** Nose leather and paw pads:~~ as in the solids; may be mottled with pink.

~~**CHINCHILLA:** undercoat pure white. Coat on back, flanks, head, and tail sufficiently tipped with specified marking color (i.e., black, blue, red, cream, tortoiseshell, etc.) to give the characteristic sparkling appearance. Legs may be slightly shaded with tipping. Chin, stomach and chest, pure white. Rims of eyes, lips and nose outlined with marking color. **Nose leather:** appropriate to pattern and marking color (black/brick red; blue/old rose; red and cream/rose, etc.). **Paw pads:** appropriate to pattern and marking color (black/black; blue/rose; red and cream/rose, etc.).~~

SMOKE PATTERN: white undercoat more deeply tipped with specified marking color. Cat in repose appears to be of marking color. Body pattern desirable with no penalty for lack thereof. In motion the white undercoat is apparent. Points and mask of marking color with narrow band of white at base of hairs next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. **Nose leather and paw pads:** appropriate to pattern and marking color (see below).

BLACK SMOKE: ...

BLUE SMOKE: ...

RED SMOKE (Cameo): ...

CHOCOLATE SMOKE: ...

LAVENDER LILAC SMOKE: Nose leather and paw pads: lavender-pink.

~~**CINNAMON SMOKE:** Nose leather and paw pads:~~ cinnamon.

CREAM SMOKE: ...

~~**FAWN SMOKE:** Nose leather and paw pads:~~ pale fawn.

TORTOISESHELL SMOKE: ...

~~**BLUE CREAM SMOKE:** Nose leather and paw pads:~~ mottled with pink on nose and paws.

~~**CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL SMOKE:** Nose leather and paw pads:~~ mottled with pink on nose and paws.

~~**LAVENDER CREAM SMOKE:** Nose leather and paw pads:~~ mottled with pink on nose and paws.

CINNAMON TORTOISESHELL SMOKE: ~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~ mottled with pink on nose and paws.

FAWN CREAM SMOKE: ~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~ pink.

ALL OTHER SMOKE COLORS: any other genetically possible solid or parti color with the addition of smoke.

CLASSIC TABBY PATTERN: ...

CHOCOLATE SILVER TABBY: ...

~~CINNAMON TABBY:~~ ground color, including lips and chin, a pale, warm honey, markings a dense cinnamon, affording a good contrast with ground color. **~~Nose leather:~~** cinnamon or coral rimmed with cinnamon. **~~Paw pads:~~** cinnamon.

~~CINNAMON SILVER TABBY:~~ ground color, including lips and chin, a pale glistening silver, markings a dense cinnamon, affording a good contrast with ground color. **~~Nose leather:~~** cinnamon or coral rimmed with cinnamon. **~~Paw pads:~~** cinnamon.

LAVENDER LILAC TABBY: ground color is pale lavender. Markings are a rich lavender, affording a good contrast with ground color. **Nose leather:** lavender, or pink rimmed with lavender. **Paw pads:** lavender-pink.

LAVENDER LILAC SILVER TABBY: ground color, including lips and chin, a cold clear silver. Markings sound lavender. **Nose leather:** lavender or pink rimmed with lavender. **Paw pads:** lavender-pink.

~~FAWN TABBY:~~ ground color, including lips and chin, pale ivory, markings dense fawn, affording good contrast with ground color. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** pale fawn.

CAMEO RED SILVER TABBY: ground color off-white. Markings red. **Nose leather and paw pads:** rose.

~~BLUE SILVER, CREAM SILVER, and FAWN SILVER TABBY:~~ **ALL OTHER TABBY COLORS:** tabby pattern and those with silver, with colors and leathers same as for corresponding solid colors.

TORTOISESHELL: ...

BLUE-CREAM: ...

CHOCOLATE TORTOISESHELL: ...

~~CINNAMON TORTOISESHELL:~~ cinnamon mottled or patched with red or shades of red. Presence of several shades of red acceptable.

LAVENDER LILAC-CREAM: lavender mottled or patched with cream.

~~FAWN CREAM:~~ fawn mottled or patched with cream.

~~CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of black and red. White predominant on underparts.

~~DILUTE CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of blue and cream. White predominant on underparts.

~~FAWN CREAM CALICO, LAVENDER CREAM CALICO, and CINNAMON CREAM CALICO:~~ as for calico above, with appropriate marking color.

ALL OTHER PARTI-COLORS: any other genetically possible mottled or patched color with areas of red or shades of red. Presence of several shades of red or cream acceptable.

BI-COLOR: ...

POINTED PATTERN: ...

SEAL POINT: ...

BLUE POINT: ...

CHOCOLATE POINT: ...

~~CINNAMON POINT~~ Points light reddish brown, distinctly warmer and lighter than chocolate—the color of a cinnamon stick. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** tan to pinkish beige.

LILAC POINT: ...

~~FAWN POINT:~~ points light lavender with pale cocoa overtones. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** pink and/or a light shade of dusty rose (no blue or lavender tones).

~~FLAME (RED) RED POINT:~~ **RED POINT:** Nose leather and paw pads: flesh or coral pink or red.

CREAM POINT: ...

~~SILVER POINT:~~ **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** appropriate to pattern and marking color, e.g. chocolate silver lynx point, seal silver lynx points etc.

OTHER SOLID POINT COLORS: any other genetically possible solid point color and those with the addition of smoke.

ALL PARTI-COLOR POINTS: any other genetically possible solid color, mottled or patched color with areas of red or shades of red. Presence of several shades of red or cream acceptable. Body color lighter, with color allowed. Points: mask, ears, legs, tail, and feet clearly defined. Mask should not extend over the top of the head. **Nose leather and paw pads:** appropriate to coat color. The parti-color point pattern may be combined with ANY other solid colors, e.g. seal tortie point, chocolate smoke tortie point.

LYNX POINT PATTERN: ...

SEAL LYNX POINT: ...

BLUE LYNX POINT: ...

CHOCOLATE LYNX POINT: ...

~~**CINNAMON LYNX POINT:** points light reddish brown, distinctly warmer and lighter than chocolate—the color of a cinnamon stick. **Nose leather and paw pads:** tan to pinkish beige.~~

LILAC LYNX POINT: ...

~~**FAWN LYNX POINT:** points light lavender with pale cocoa over tones. **Nose leather and paw pads:** pink and/or a light shade of dusty rose (no blue or lavender tones).~~

~~**FLAME (RED) RED LYNX POINT:** **Nose leather and paw pads:** flesh or coral pink or red.~~

CREAM LYNX POINT: ...

SILVER LYNX POINT: ...

TORTIE LYNX POINT: **Nose leather and paw pads:** appropriate to pattern and marking color, e.g. seal-tortie lynx point, chocolate-tortie lynx point, etc.

OTHER LYNX POINT COLORS: any other genetically possible solid point color and those with the addition of silver.

MINK PATTERN: body with some color. Contrast between body color and points ranging from subtle to distinct in kittens and young cats. Body pattern highly desirable on all minks with no penalty for lack thereof. Contrast minimal in older cats, particularly in darker colors, tabbies and torties. Points: mask, ears, legs, tail and feet with even color. **Nose leather and paw pads:** appropriate to coat color. The mink pattern may be combined with ANY other pattern except pointed) and ANY colors, e.g. ~~natural~~ seal mink, blue mink, ~~champagne~~ chocolate mink, ~~platinum~~ lilac mink, ~~natural~~ seal mink tabby, blue-cream, tortie mink and ~~platinum~~ lilac-smoke mink with white (shown in Bi-Color class).

NATURAL SEAL MINK: body medium brown, shading to lighter hue on the underparts. Ruddy highlights acceptable. Points are dark brown. **Nose leather:** dark brown corresponding to the intensity of the point color. **Paw pads:** medium to dark brown (may have rosy undertone).

CHAMPAGNE CHOCOLATE MINK: body buff-cream, points medium brown. **Nose leather:** cinnamon-brown. **Paw pads:** cinnamon-pink to cinnamon-brown.

BLUE MINK: ...

PLATINUM LILAC MINK: body pale, silvery grey with warm overtones. Not white or cream. Points pewter-grey, distinctly darker than the body color. Points may have a lavender cast due to the color of the skin underneath. **Nose leather:** lavender-pink to lavender-grey. **Paw pads:** lavender-pink.

OABTC (Other American Bobtail Colors): ...

RATIONALE: The American Bobtail is a breed that allows all genetically possible colors and patterns. We would like to remove some of the color descriptions that are not seen or have been registered at this point in our breed and rename some of the colors to their genetic names instead of using designer terms for them (such as in the instances of lavender, cameo, flame, or natural instead of lilac, red silver, red point, and seal mink).

YES: 4

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 4

60% of Voting: 3

Bennett: The second breed we will speak about, the representative for the American Bobtail, Lorna Friemoth, will be available to answer any questions, so Allene, if you could promote her when we get to the question point. First item, color name changes to reflect genetically accurate names and shortening of color sections. This item passed with 4 votes; 3 was required for 60%. Are there any questions on this ballot item? **Newkirk:** I would just like to make a comment; that is, lilac is the correct nomenclature genetically, because they don't have chestnut, they have chocolate. So, lilac is actually the correct wording and I commend the Breed Council for making that change. Any comments on this? Allene, can you scroll up so that we're to the appropriate ballot item? **Tartaglia:** Yes, sorry. **Newkirk:** Thank you, here we are. Is there any objection to Proposal #1 on the American Bobtail ballot? Any comments? No objections? By unanimous consent, that is ratified.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

2. **PROPOSED:** Change the CFA Registration Rules for the American Bobtail to add a procedure to use for registering a domestic outcross to be used in an American Bobtail breeding program by adding a policy to the Rules of Registration for the American Bobtail:

Procedure for using a Domestic cat in your American Bobtail Breeding Program (CFA). In order to register a litter from a domestic outcross, you must:

1. complete a litter registration for the American Bobtail litter,
2. Fill out a litter registration to register the domestic used in that American Bobtail litter,
3. Send a letter of explanation of your intent.

AMERICAN BOBTAIL LITTER REGISTRATION (using a domestic outcross)

1. Complete Section A for the litter.
 - Enter "American Bobtail" as the Breed
 - Enter the date of birth of the litter
 - Enter the number of kittens (living) in the litter
2. Complete Section B – Sire Information
 - If the Sire is the Domestic, enter the cat's name in the "Registered Name of Sire". You will leave the CFA Registration Number blank at this time. Complete the

Owner/Lessee, Address, City, State and Postal Code as you would normally. Be sure to sign the litter registration form as owner of the Sire.

- If the Sire is the American Bobtail, enter the Registration information from your Registration Certificate in the spaces provided. If you are leasing the registered American Bobtail, fill out the Lease of Sire section. Otherwise, leave this section blank.

3. Complete Section C – Dam Information

- If the Dam is the Domestic, enter the cat’s name in the “Registered Name of Dam”. You will leave the CFA Registration Number blank at this time. Complete the Owner/Lessee, Address, City, State and Postal Code as you would normally. Be sure to sign the litter registration form as owner of the Dam. Make sure you add your breeder/cattery name and number in the appropriate spaces.
- If the Dam is the American Bobtail, enter the Registration information from your Registration Certificate in the spaces provided. If you are leasing the registered American Bobtail, fill out the Lease of Dam section. Otherwise, leave this section blank.

4. Complete Section D and E normally for litter owner and any kittens you wish to register from this litter.

DOMESTIC REGISTRATION This should only be filled out the first time a domestic is used in an American Bobtail breeding program.

BREED NAME:

AMERICAN BOBTAIL

ALLOWABLE OUTCROSS BREEDS:

None (Bobtail to Bobtail only)	No tailless, no recognized breeds, no wild blood
IMPORTANT: See Breed Sheet	(02/12) Domestic Bobtail LH or SH until 2030 with written approval from appropriate individuals (see Breed Notes)
	<u>Domestic Outcross litters (see Breed Notes)</u>

RATIONALE: This will provide a clear process to provide breeders with the ability to use a domestic outcross to the American Bobtail breed through 2030 to further increase genetic diversity in addition to foundation registered American Bobtails.

YES: 4

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

~~STANDARD CHANGE (passes)~~

Votes: 4

60% of Voting: 3

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 4
>50% of Voting:3

Newkirk: Go ahead Jacqui to #2. **Bennett:** Our next item, the American Bobtail would like to change CFA registration rules for the American Bobtail to add a procedure to use for registering a domestic outcross to be used in the American Bobtail. This item passed with 4 votes; 3 was required for 60%. Are there any questions? [Note: lengthy non-relevant discussion ensues about Zoom platform.] **Morgan:** Not that it really changes the outcome, but for the record this is listed as a standard change and I believe it's a registration change. **Bennett:** It states as a registration rule change, not a standard change on my notes, so I would have to look. **Newkirk:** It says, "Change the CFA Registration Rules." **Morgan:** Above "Votes: 4, 60% of Voting: 3" it says "Standard Change (Passes)" on mine. Just saying. **Newkirk:** OK, but the ballot is at the end of it, Melanie. Allene, can you scroll so we can see the bottom of it? I don't know what it's listed. It does say "Standard Change" so that is incorrect. It's a registration rule change. Go back up Allene, we need down at the bottom. Keep going. There you go. So, all that stuff above that says "Standard Change (Passes); Votes: 4, 60% of Voting: 3", Jacqui, that should be changed to "Registration Rule 50%". **Anger:** I will change it in the minutes. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much, Rachel. **Eigenhauser:** Which is still 3 votes out of 4. **Morgan:** Right, so it changes nothing, really. **Newkirk:** For the record, we need to reflect that it's a registration rule change. **Bennett:** OK. **Newkirk:** Alright, thank you. Is there anything else? Are we ready to move on to the next breed? **Tartaglia:** There was no vote, was there? **Eigenhauser:** You have to call the vote. **Newkirk:** Oh, I'm sorry, OK. So, is there any objection to the registration rule change proposed by the American Bobtail Breed Council Secretary and committee? Seeing no hands up, by unanimous consent, the registration rule change is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

AMERICAN SHORTHAIR

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Carol W. Johnson – Newburg Park, California
Total Members: 38
Ballots Received: 27

- 1. PROPOSED:** Add color and eye color descriptions for CREAM CAMEO TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, ticked), BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, ticked), BLUE PATCHED TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, ticked) and CREAM CAMEO SHADED & WHITE & show classes for the classic mackerel tabbies patterns with these colors and for the Cream Cameo Shaded & White.

BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE (classic mackerel or ticked): white with portions of blue silver tabby. **Eye color:** green or hazel.

BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of blue silver patched tabby. **Eye color:** gold, green or hazel.

CREAM CAMEO TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, or ticked): white with portions of cream cameo tabby. **Eye color:** gold.

SHADED CREAM CAMEO & WHITE: white with portions of cream shaded cameo. **Eye color:** gold.

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American Shorthair Color Class Numbers

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Tabby & White (including Vans)	7072	7073
<i>(Silver, Brown, Blue, <u>Blue Silver</u>, Red, Cameo, <u>Cream Cameo</u>, Cream [tabby colors in mackerel or classic and, where applicable, patched patterns])</i>		
Shaded and White (including Vans)	7026	7027
<i>(Shaded Silver & White, Chinchilla Silver & White, Shaded Calico, Dilute Shaded Calico, Blue Shaded Silver & White, Shaded Cameo & White, <u>Shaded Cream Cameo & White</u>, Shell Cameo & White)</i>		

RATIONALE:

1. Blue Silver Tabby & White (classic, mackerel), Cream Cameo Tabby & White (classic, mackerel), Blue Silver Patched Tabby& White (classic, mackerel), and Shaded Cream Cameo & White are possible colors of American Shorthairs that were overlooked when the “and White” colors were approved.
2. Passage of this Proposal would remove any ambiguity and would additionally add a specific color description and eye color in alignment with the Breed Standard.
3. Ticked tabbies in the same colors attained a show class in 2014 when ticked tabbies were accepted into championship but lack a specific color description and eye color.
4. The eye colors proposed are identical for the same colors without white.

Note: Under the American Shorthair Class Numbers, the name of the color is not currently all in capital letters. The use of AND and & is mixed throughout the document. This proposal is written to fit in with the current standard format.

YES: 16

NO: 11

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 27

60% of Voting: 17

No action.

2. If Proposal #1 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Accept for championship CREAM CAMEO TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel), BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel), BLUE PATCHED TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel) and CREAM CAMEO SHADED & WHITE. For the tabby patterns, include ticked tabby in the description because ticked tabbies already are accepted in those colors and have an assigned show class but lack a specific color description with eye color.

BLUE SILVER TABBY & WHITE (classic mackerel or ticked): white with portions of blue silver tabby. **Eye color:** green or hazel.

BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel or ticked): white with portions of blue silver patched tabby. **Eye color:** gold, green or hazel.

CREAM CAMEO TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, or ticked): white with portions of cream cameo tabby. **Eye color:** gold.

SHADED CREAM CAMEO & WHITE: white with portions of cream shaded cameo. **Eye color:** gold.

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American Shorthair Color Class Numbers

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Tabby & White (including Vans)7072 7073
(Silver, Brown, Blue, Blue Silver, Red,
Cameo, Cream Cameo, Cream [tabby colors
in mackerel or classic and, where applicable,
patched patterns])

Shaded and White (including Vans).....7026 7027
(Shaded Silver & White, Chinchilla Silver &
White, Shaded Calico, Dilute Shaded Calico,
Blue Shaded Silver & White, Shaded Cameo
& White, Shaded Cream Cameo & White,
Shell Cameo & White)

RATIONALE:

1. Blue Silver Tabby & White (classic, mackerel), Cream Cameo Tabby & White (classic, mackerel), Blue Silver Patched Tabby & White (classic, mackerel), and Shaded Cream Cameo & White are possible colors of American Shorthairs that were overlooked when the “and White” colors were approved.
2. Passage of this Proposal would remove any ambiguity and would additionally add a specific color description and eye color in alignment with the Breed Standard.
3. Ticked tabbies in the same colors attained a show class in 2014 when ticked tabbies were accepted into championship but lack a specific color description and eye color.

4. The eye colors proposed are identical for the same colors without white.

Note: Under the American Shorthair Class Numbers, the name of the color is not currently all in capital letters. The use of AND and & is mixed throughout the document. This proposal is written to fit in with the current standard format.

YES: 16

NO: 11

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 27

60% of Voting: 17

No action.

3. **PROPOSED:** Change references SMOKE CAMEO to CAMEO SMOKE (Red Smoke) in the breed standard to provide consistency throughout the standard. Add a show class for CAMEO SMOKE & WHITE.

~~SMOKE CAMEO~~ CAMEO SMOKE (Red Smoke) AND WHITE: white with portions of ~~smoke~~ cameo smoke. **Eye color:** gold.

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American Shorthair Color Class Numbers

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~~Smoke Cameo~~ Cameo Smoke (Red Smoke)0764 0765

...

Smoke & White (including Vans)7024 7025

*(Black Smoke & White, Blue Smoke & White,
Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Cameo Smoke
(Red Smoke) & White)*

RATIONALE:

1. CAMEO SMOKE (Red Smoke) is a historical color but is described inconsistently in the breed standard. This change is to provide consistency throughout the breed standard.
2. CAMEO SMOKE (Red Smoke) AND WHITE is a historical color already described in the breed standard. However, the show class no longer appears under the American Shorthair Class Numbers. This may have been a clerical error but it is difficult to trace. The most expedient way to restore a show class to this historical color is with a Breed Council vote.

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YES: 16

NO: 11

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 27

60% of Voting: 17

No action.

4. **PROPOSED:** Accept CREAM CAMEO SMOKE, CREAM CAMEO SMOKE & WHITE, and BLUE CREAM SMOKE & WHITE for championship.

CREAM CAMEO SMOKE: white undercoat, deeply tipped with cream. Cat in repose appears cream. In motion the white undercoat is clearly apparent. Points and mask cream with narrow band of white at base of hairs next to skin which may be seen only when fur is parted. Nose leather, rims of eyes, and paw pads: rose. Eye color: gold.

SMOKE AND WHITE (including vans): White with unbrindled portions which have a white undercoat deeply tipped in color (black, blue, red, cream, tortoiseshell, blue-cream, cameo). The cat in repose appears white and black (white & blue, white & red etc.), in motion the white undercoat may be apparent. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have white feet, legs, undersides, chest and muzzle. An inverted “V” blaze is desirable.

CREAM CAMEO SMOKE AND WHITE: white with portions of cream cameo smoke. Eye color: gold.

BLUE CREAM SMOKE AND WHITE: white with portions of blue cream smoke. Eye color: green or hazel.

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American Shorthair Color Class Numbers

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Cream Cameo Smokexxxx xxxx

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Smoke & White (including Vans)7024 7025

*(Black Smoke & White, Blue Smoke & White,
Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Cream Smoke
& White, Blue Cream Smoke & White)*

RATIONALE:

1. CREAM CAMEO SMOKE & WHITE is already described as a possible color under the breed standard section SMOKE AND WHITE as cream, but the color lacks a specific description and eye color.

2. CREAM CAMEO SMOKE and BLUE CREAM SMOKE & WHITE (also known in other breeds as Dilute Smoke Calico) are possible American Shorthair colors that may occur when breeding registered colors.
3. The eye colors for CREAM CAMEO SMOKE and CREAM CAMEO SMOKE & WHITE are the same as the eye color for CREAM CAMEO TABBY (with or without white). The eye color for BLUE CREAM SMOKE & WHITE is the same as for BLUE SILVER PATCHED TABBY.

Note: Under the American Shorthair Class Numbers, the name of the color is not currently all in capital letters. The use of AND and & is mixed throughout the document. This proposal is written to fit in with the current standard format.

YES: 15

NO: 12

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 27

60% of Voting: 17

No action.

BENGAL

Elected Breed Council Secretary: Samantha Kerr – Cardington, Ohio

Total Members: 80

Ballots Received: 67

1. **PROPOSED:** Change the word “Skull” to “Shape” in the HEAD section of the Point Score as follows:

POINT SCORE

HEAD (30)

~~Skull~~ Shape 5

RATIONALE: Shape includes the soft tissue parts of the head (“head being longer than wider”) which includes the soft tissues of the head like the nose.

YES: 36

NO: 31

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

2. **PROPOSED:** Change the HEAD description as follows:

HEAD: Broad, modified wedge with rounded contours, longer than wide, with high cheekbones. Slightly small in proportion to body, not to be taken to extreme. Top of skull flows back into the neck, with visible back skull. Flat planes less desirable. ~~No flat planes.~~
~~Allowance for jowls on mature males.~~

RATIONALE: Nearly all 6th generation (from earliest wild ancestor) or more will have some sort of flat plane to their skull. Removing allowance for jowls as it is already addressed under the Allowances section.

YES: 30

NO: 37

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

3. **PROPOSED:** Change the description of the PROFILE as follows:

~~**PROFILE:** Gently curved forehead to nose bridge. Nose may have a slight concave curve.~~

PROFILE: The bridge of nose extends above the eyes without strong directional changes. When seen in profile, the line extends from nose tip all the way to back skull in a series of gentle curves.

RATIONALE: It is a more complete description for the profile as we need to address more than the nose as our currently profile description details.

YES: 14

NO: 53

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

4. **PROPOSED:** Move placement of PROFILE within the description section of the standard as follows:

Description sections to be arranged in the following order:

HEAD

PROFILE

NOSE

CHIN

MUZZLE

EARS

EYES

PROFILE

RATIONALE: Suggested by “Breeds and Standards” during review process. Addressing all the sections of the head before we describe “PROFILE” is more logical as it contains parts from each of these above sections.

YES: 16

NO: 51

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

5. **PROPOSED:** Add wording from Profile that is specific to the nose and place it here.

NOSE: Large and wide, slightly puffed nose leather. Bridge of nose extends above the ~~eyes.~~
eyes and makes a slight, to nearly straight, concave curve with no break.

RATIONALE: This proposed change was accepted by 49% of last year’s council and has also been agreed to by another large portion of the council. It has been discussed for a few years.

YES: 37

NO: 28

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

6. **PROPOSED:** Rearrange the order for 3 description titles as follows:

Description sections to be arranged in the following order:

HEAD

PROFILE

MUZZLE

NOSE

CHIN

~~MUZZLE~~

EARS

EYES

RATIONALE: Nose, Chin and Whisker pads are all aspects that are a part of the Muzzle. This puts them in more logical order.

YES: 19

NO: 48

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

7. **PROPOSED:** Within the description section for “EARS”, change the word “Small” to “Short”.

EARS: Medium to ~~small~~ short, with a wide base,...

RATIONALE: Short (vs. Small) is a more accurate description of the desired Bengal ear. We are not looking for tiny ears which have a narrower base as well as being short.

YES: 19

NO: 48

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

8. **PROPOSED:** Change the description for “EARS” as follows:

EARS: Medium to small, with a wide base, rounded tips being desirable. Set ~~far apart,~~ equally on the top of the head as to the side. ~~The ear set follows following~~ the contours of the face in frontal ~~view,~~ view with a slight tilt forward in profile view. Light, horizontal furnishings acceptable, tufts are undesirable.

RATIONALE: In the current standard, placement is not described. This seems to be the most agreed upon option for placement.

YES: 37

NO: 30

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

9. **PROPOSED:** Within the description section for “EYES”, change description as follows:

EYES: Shape is round to oval. Large, but not bugged. Set wide apart, with a slight bias toward the base of ear, when oval in shape. ~~Eye color independent of coat color, except in the~~

~~Lynx Points, where Blue is the only acceptable color. Eye colors are from gold to green, unless otherwise stated in the color descriptions. Richness and depth of color is always~~ preferred.

RATIONALE: Language is simple and more succinct. Using the word “independent” in the way the current standard is written, creates multiple meanings and has caused confusion. Removal of the word “always” allows for pale blue eyes which correspond with the ghost patterning on Seal Lynx Point Bengals and are desired by some Bengal Breeders.

YES: 31

NO: 36

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

10. PROPOSED: Within the description section for “EYES”, add the following:

EYES: Shape is round to oval. Large and expressive, but not bugged. Set wide apart, with a slight bias toward the base of ear, when oval in shape. Eye color independent of coat color, except in the Lynx Points, where Blue is the only acceptable color. Richness and depth of color is always preferred.

RATIONALE: This is an important Bengal trait.

YES: 23

NO: 41

ABSTAIN: 3

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 64

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

11. PROPOSED: Change the word “bugged” to “protruding” from within the EYE description.

EYES: Shape is round to oval. Large, but not protruding. ~~bugged~~. Set wide apart, with a slight bias toward the base of ear, when oval in shape. Eye color independent of coat color, except in the Lynx Points, where Blue is the only acceptable color. Richness and depth of color is always preferred.

RATIONALE: More professional language.

YES: 19

NO: 46

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

- 12. PROPOSED:** Within the COAT & COLOR and PATTERN sections of the “POINT SCORE” section of the standard, remove “Eye Color” and reallocate points to “Contrast” as follows:

POINT SCORE

COAT & COLOR (~~25~~) (20)

Texture..... 10
Coat Color 10
~~Eye Color..... 5~~

PATTERN (~~25~~) (30)

Contrast..... ~~10~~ 15
Pattern-Specific Point Allocation 15
Rosetted/Spotted Pattern: Two Tone Markings
Marble Pattern: Two Tone Markings
Charcoal Pattern: Mask, Goggles, and Cape
Snow Pattern: Two Tone Markings

RATIONALE: It takes points away from eye color and gives more value to contrast while keeping 50 points in the COAT and PATTERN sections of the standard. This change was proposed last year with 49% approval. Another large portion of the Breed Council has also voiced their approval in 2017. Asking this proposal as an individual idea should have the support needed to pass.

YES: 21

NO: 45

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

- 13. PROPOSED:** Within the HEAD section of the POINT SCORE section, add the points for “Chin” into “Muzzle” and round up to a 10 point total as follows:

POINT SCORE

HEAD (30 Points):

Skull..... 5
Muzzle ~~6~~ 10
Profile ~~4~~ 5
Ears ~~6~~ 5
Eyes ~~6~~ 5
~~Chin..... 3~~

RATIONALE: It has been requested that we use increments of 5 points in our standard. However, we don't believe 'Chin' should be worth as many points as the other traits so rounding it up to 5 points doesn't seem proportionate. As the chin is considered part of the muzzle (by definition), it's easy to combine these aspects which already have 9 total points allotted making it an easier decision to round up to and even 10 points. Muzzle would now include: Whisker Pads, Nose and Chin for a total of 10 points.

YES: 16

NO: 50

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

- 14. PROPOSED:** Within the Point Score section, change "Boning" to "Structure & Size" as follows:

POINT SCORE

BODY (20)

Torso:

Boning <u>Structure & Size</u>	5
Musculature	5
Legs/Feet	5
Tail.....	5

RATIONALE: Boning limits us to just "bone". Changing to "Structure & Size" incorporates Body, Bone & Size. We also now have a logical place for the Neck as it is more aligned with Boning, Vertebrae and Body length.

YES: 14

NO: 52

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

- 15. PROPOSED:** Within the description section of the standard, change "Bone" to "Structure & Size" as follows:

BONE STRUCTURE & SIZE: Substantial, never delicate.

RATIONALE: Boning limits us to just "bone". Changing to "Structure & Size" incorporates Body, Bone & Size. We also now have a logical place for the Neck as it is more aligned with Boning, Vertebrae and Body length.

YES: 30

NO: 37

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 67

60% of Voting: 41

No action.

16. PROPOSED: Within the description section for “NECK”, change as follows:

NECK: ~~Thick and muscular, long is proportion to the body.~~ Long and muscular.

RATIONALE: It’s hard to visualize both a thick neck and a smaller head on the same Bengal – these two aspects conflict. Also, most Bengals with thick necks have heads wider than long which is not our current ideal. Also, a Bengal neck is not “longer” than their long bodies which would mean a giraffe style of neck. They do have a long neck as well as a long body.

YES: 17

NO: 46

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 63

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

17. PROPOSED: Change the description for “PAWS” as follows:

PAWS: Large and round with prominent knuckles. Toes are often longer giving them unusual dexterity.

RATIONALE: Longer and more dexterous toes are one our defining traits for Bengals and contributes to knuckle shape.

YES: 10

NO: 56

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

18. PROPOSED: Change the description for “PAWS” by adding the following sentence as follows:

PAWS: Large and round with prominent knuckles. Toes sometimes webbed.

RATIONALE: Webbed feet may be a part of the ALC ancestry – it seems to be a unique trait to our breed.

YES: 11

NO: 55

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

19. PROPOSED: Change the description section for “TAIL” as follows:

TAIL: Thick, tapered at the end with a rounded tip. Medium in length, slightly shorter than body in proportion to body. and carried lower than the back.

RATIONALE: Adds description of tail carriage to the “TAIL” description that is currently only in the “GENERAL” description. This aspect can be easily missed when looking at the TAIL description. Also, a medium length Bengal tail is not proportionate to their longer bodies. It is the opposite and is slightly shorter than the length of their body.

YES: 13

NO: 52

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

20. PROPOSED: Change the word “COAT” to “PELT”.

Within the POINT SCORE titles, change the following:

~~COAT~~ PELT & COLOR (25)

Texture..... 10

~~Coat~~ Pelt Color 10

Eye Color..... 5

Within the Description section, change the following:

GENERAL: The Bengal is a medium to large cat with a sleek, muscular build. Boning is substantial. Hindquarters slightly higher than shoulders. The tail is thick, with rounded tip, and carried lower than the back. The Bengals head, expressive nocturnal look, and stunning markings give the breed a wild appearance. The ~~coat~~ pelt is like no other: short, soft, silky to the touch, luxurious, and preferably glittered. Bengals are alert and active, with inquisitive, dependable dispositions. Males are generally larger than females.

EYES: ...Eye color independent of ~~coat~~ pelt color ...

~~COAT~~ PELT: With qualities unique to the breed, the Bengal ~~coat~~ pelt is short, close lying, soft, silky, luxurious and ideally glittered. Allowance for slightly longer ~~coat~~ pelt in kittens.

ALLOWANCES: ...Slightly longer ~~coat~~ pelt in kittens ...

BLACK MELANISTIC: Ground color is jet black, with sound color throughout ~~coat~~ pelt
...

RATIONALE: When judges use the word “Pelt” while handling a Bengal, there is a reverence to the word that attaches to our breed. It seems to draw people into the beauty of our breed. The Coat/Pelt on a Bengal has 4 separate “Defining Traits”: Pattern, Texture, Glitter and Ocelli (lighter colored thumbprint on the back of the ear). This helps to highlight this fact. The wild nature of this word differentiates us from other breeds. (While it is true that the word “Pelt” can mean the skin/fur of an animal, it is also the same with the word “Coat”.)

Note: We are purposefully not changing the words “Coat” when used in reference to the Longhair Bengal (Cashmere) as they do not have the unique close laying pelt.

YES: 10

NO: 56

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

21. PROPOSED: Allowance for light pale blue eye color in Lynx Points color variations.

ALLOWANCES: Smaller in size, in balanced proportion, in females. Jowls in mature males. Slightly longer coat in kittens. Slightly larger ears in kittens. Eyes slightly almond shaped. Pale blue eye color in Lynx Points. Incorrect paw pad color.

RATIONALE: Pale blue eyes on a Lynx Point coordinates with the Ghost pattern effect for their markings. Some breeders enjoy this color variation – especially when you have a Blue Seal Lynx Point which additionally dilutes/blocks certain colors from expressing.

YES: 31

NO: 34

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

22. PROPOSED: Change the “PENALIZE” description as follows:

PENALIZE: All Tabby Patterns – A circular bull’s eye appearance similar to the classic tabby pattern. ~~Rosetted/Spotted Tabby Pattern~~ – Rosettes or spots running together vertically forming a mackerel tabby pattern. ~~Marble Tabby Pattern~~ – A Circular bull’s pattern. **Snow Tabby Pattern** – Substantially darker point color as compared to color of body markings.

RATIONALE: We don't want circular bullseye patterns in our Rosetted/Spotted Bengals either.

YES: 25

NO: 41

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

23. PROPOSED: Change the description for "DISQUALIFY" as follows:

DISQUALIFY: Rosetted/Spotted Tabby, Marble Tabby, Charcoal Tabby, Snow Tabby Patterns - Belly not patterned. Any distinct white spot ~~loket~~ on neck, chest, abdomen, or anywhere else. Kinked, or otherwise deformed tail. Cow hocking. Crossed eyes.

RATIONALE: Locket refers to a pendant around the neck. Changing the wording to "Spot" helps clarify that they can appear on a cat in more than this location.

YES: 17

NO: 49

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

24. PROPOSED: Change the Disqualify section language as follows:

DISQUALIFY: Rosetted/Spotted Tabby, Marble Tabby, Charcoal Tabby, Snow Tabby Patterns - Belly not patterned. Any distinct locket on neck, chest, abdomen, or anywhere else. ~~Kinked, or otherwise deformed tail.~~ Visible tail fault. Cow hocking. Crossed eyes.

RATIONALE: Bengals can have a different shape to their tail vertebrae that may be mistaken for a fault. In trying to determine whether or not a fault is present, a judge can over manipulate tails which is not healthy for our cats.

REASONS AGAINST: It dilutes the standard. Bengal Breeders need to work on tail quality as faults are too prevalent in our breed. Pet Bengals with tail faults can be shown in Household Pets. Show Cats should be the Best of the Best and is not a place for working through genetic issues.

YES: 31

NO: 35

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

25. ONLY if Proposal #12 passes (which removes points for Eye Color) **PROPOSED:** Create a new section called “Clarity” and reallocate points from “Contrast” and “Pattern” as follows:

PATTERN (30 Points):

Contrast..... 45 10
Clarity 10
Pattern-Specific Point Allocation 45 10
Rosetted/Spotted Pattern: Two Tone Markings
Marble Pattern: Two Tone Markings
Charcoal Pattern: Mask, Goggles, and Cape
Snow Pattern: Two Tone Markings

RATIONALE: Clarity is a very important aspect to the Bengal Coat for the pattern, color and contrast to be as sharp and defined as possible. It is already in our standard, but it is unclear where this aspect would be given points. Does not apply to the color gradation within the inner markings of rosettes.

YES: 14

NO: 51

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

26. **PROPOSED:** Within the description section of the standard, add a new description for “CONTRAST & CLARITY” as follows:

CONTRAST & CLARITY: All parts of the pattern should be as clear and uniform in color as possible. Ground color should be as different in value as possible to outer (darkest) markings. Combined, this creates a sharp defined outline to the pattern.

Placement in Description list:

TAIL:

COAT:

CONTRAST & CLARITY:

ALLOWANCES:

RATIONALE: Clarity is a very important aspect to the Bengal Coat for the pattern, color and contrast to be a sharp and defined as possible. It is already in our standard, but it is unclear where this aspect would be given points.

YES: 19

NO: 47

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

27. PROPOSED: Within the “ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN”, change as follows:

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: Rosettes and solid spots shall be random, with a horizontal flow to their alignment, and a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct pattern with sharp edges. Rosettes are two toned, with dark outlines, ~~and a lighter center~~ and are preferred over cats with only a solid spotted pattern. Rosettes can be many different shapes, such as round donut, open donut, pancake, paw print, arrowhead, or clustered, ~~and are preferred to single spotting~~. Strong, bold chin strap and mascara markings desirable. Backs of ears have a thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Blotchy horizontal shoulder streaks, spotted legs, and spotted, or rosetted tail are desirable. Belly must be spotted. ~~Allowance for spotted pattern without rosettes. These cats are not required to have two tone markings.~~

RATIONALE: Language removed is unnecessary. Adding Preference to the end of a rosette description allows us to remove language about “Single Spots”. Breeds and Standards committee feels the areas being crossed out do not affect the option for solid spotted Bengals to be shown as the description states at the beginning “Rosettes and Spots” which describes two styles of spotting. Adding the word “Solid” to the beginning of “spot” in the first sentence is more grammatically correct as both rosettes and solids spots are “Spots”.

YES: 18

NO: 48

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

28. PROPOSED: Within the “ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN”, change as follows:

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: Rosettes and spots shall be random, or with a horizontal flow to their alignment, and a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct pattern with sharp edges. Rosettes are two toned, with dark outlines, and a lighter center. Rosettes can be many different shapes, such as round donut, open donut, pancake, paw print, arrowhead, or clustered, and are preferred to single spotting. Strong, bold chin strap and mascara markings desirable. Backs of ears have a thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Blotchy horizontal shoulder streaks, spotted legs, and

spotted, or rosetted tail are desirable. Belly must be spotted. Allowance for spotted pattern without rosettes. These cats are not required to have two tone markings.

RATIONALE: “Random” does not equal “Horizontal Flow” – These are two different aspects. We are just trying to highlight that most Bengal breeders don’t wish for vertically aligned or circular/bullseye spot patterns.

YES: 23

NO: 43

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

- 29. PROPOSED:** Within the “ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN”, remove the last phrase “These cats are not required to have two tone markings.”

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: Rosettes and spots shall be random, with a horizontal flow to their alignment, and a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct pattern with sharp edges. Rosettes are two toned, with dark outlines, and a lighter center. Rosettes can be many different shapes, such as round donut, open donut, pancake, paw print, arrowhead, or clustered, and are preferred to single spotting. Strong, bold chin strap and mascara markings desirable. Backs of ears have a thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Blotchy horizontal shoulder streaks, spotted legs, and spotted, or rosetted tail are desirable. Belly must be spotted. Allowance for spotted pattern without rosettes. ~~These cats are not required to have two tone markings.~~

RATIONALE: It is not necessary and shortens this description.

YES: 21

NO: 44

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

- 30. PROPOSED:** Within the “ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN”, clarify language regarding clarity as follows:

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: Rosettes and spots shall be random, with a horizontal flow to their alignment, and a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be ~~clear, and free of ticking.~~ as clear and uniform in color as possible. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct pattern with sharp edges. Rosettes are two toned, with dark outlines, and a lighter center. Rosettes can be many different shapes, such as round donut, open donut, pancake, paw print, arrowhead, or clustered, and are preferred to single spotting. Strong, bold chin strap and mascara markings desirable. Backs of ears have a

thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Blotchy horizontal shoulder streaks, spotted legs, and spotted, or rosetted tail are desirable. Belly must be spotted. Allowance for spotted pattern without rosettes. These cats are not required to have two tone markings.

RATIONALE: All Bengals in CFA accepted colors and patterns have ticked coats. Therefore, they will not be “free of ticking” as the standard currently states. What I believe the original standard was trying to convey is that we prefer a coat/pelt with the highest amount of Clarity which is achieved by having all color groups as uniform as possible. This shows the lowest amount of ticking (Banded Agouti hairs) and provides the sharpest rosettes and solid spot edges.

YES: 34

NO: 32

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

31. PROPOSED: Within the “MARBLE TABBY PATTERN”, clarify language regarding clarity as follows:

MARBLE TABBY PATTERN: The Marble pattern is full of swirls, with a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be ~~clear, and free of ticking.~~ as clear and uniform in color as possible. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct markings with sharp edges. Markings are two toned, having a horizontal or diagonal flow. Side pattern symmetry not required. There should be no resemblance to the Classic Tabby pattern, and a circular pattern or bullseye is undesirable. The more random the pattern, the better. Additional color tones inside the pattern, giving a “stained glass” effect is desirable. Patterned shoulder markings, and multi-toned markings on legs and tail desirable. Rosettes and spots can be present, particularly on the legs. Strong chin strap, mascara markings desirable. Backs of ears have a thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Belly must be patterned. Allow for maturity for “stained glass” or full coloration to appear.

RATIONALE: All Bengals in CFA accepted colors and patterns have ticked coats. Therefore, they will not be “free of ticking” as the standard currently states. What I believe the original standard was trying to convey is that we prefer a coat/pelt with the highest amount of Clarity which is achieved by having all color groups as uniform as possible. This shows the lowest amount of ticking (Banded Agouti hairs) and provides the sharpest rosettes and solid spot edges.

YES: 32

NO: 33

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

- 32. PROPOSED:** Within the “ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN” section, add wording regarding Spectacles/Goggles as follows:

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: Rosettes and spots shall be random, with a horizontal flow to their alignment, and a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct pattern with sharp edges. Rosettes are two toned, with dark outlines, and a lighter center. Rosettes can be many different shapes, such as round donut, open donut, pancake, paw print, arrowhead, or clustered, and are preferred to single spotting. Strong, bold chin strap and mascara markings desirable. Lighter colored spectacles or goggles encircling the eyes. Backs of ears have a thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Blotchy horizontal shoulder streaks, spotted legs, and spotted, or rosetted tail are desirable. Belly must be spotted. Allowance for spotted pattern without rosettes. These cats are not required to have two tone markings.

RATIONALE: Goggles/Spectacles occur in all color variations and it’s more efficient to describe it under “PATTERN” rather than in each individual color.

YES: 24

NO: 42

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

- 33. PROPOSED:** Within the “MARBLE TABBY PATTERN” section, add wording regarding Spectacles/Goggles as follows:

MARBLE TABBY PATTERN: The Marble pattern is full of swirls, with a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct markings with sharp edges. Markings are two toned, having a horizontal or diagonal flow. Side pattern symmetry not required. There should be no resemblance to the Classic Tabby pattern, and a circular pattern or bullseye is undesirable. The more random the pattern, the better. Additional color tones inside the pattern, giving a “stained glass” effect is desirable. Patterned shoulder markings, and multi-toned markings on legs and tail desirable. Rosettes and spots can be present, particularly on the legs. Strong chin strap, mascara markings desirable. Lighter colored spectacles or goggles encircling the eyes. Backs of ears have a thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Belly must be patterned. Allow for maturity for “stained glass” or full coloration to appear.

RATIONALE: Goggles/Spectacles occur in all color variations and it’s more efficient to describe it under “PATTERN” rather than in each individual color.

YES: 22

NO: 43

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

- 34. PROPOSED:** Within the “ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN” section, clarify that we want a light colored thumbprint on the back of the ears as follows:

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN: Rosettes and spots shall be random, with a horizontal flow to their alignment, and a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct pattern with sharp edges. Rosettes are two toned, with dark outlines, and a lighter center. Rosettes can be many different shapes, such as round donut, open donut, pancake, paw print, arrowhead, or clustered, and are preferred to single spotting. Strong, bold chin strap and mascara markings desirable. Backs of ears have a lighter colored thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Blotchy horizontal shoulder streaks, spotted legs, and spotted, or rosetted tail are desirable. Belly must be spotted. Allowance for spotted pattern without rosettes. These cats are not required to have two tone markings.

RATIONALE: Clarifies that we wish for lighter colors as the thumbprint marking vs. darker.

YES: 18

NO: 46

ABSTAIN: 3

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 64

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

- 35. PROPOSED:** Within the “MARBLE TABBY PATTERN” section, clarify that we want a light colored thumbprint on the back of the ears as follows:

MARBLE TABBY PATTERN: The Marble pattern is full of swirls, with a pattern like no other breed. Ground color should be clear, and free of ticking. Contrast with ground color must be extreme, showing distinct markings with sharp edges. Markings are two toned, having a horizontal or diagonal flow. Side pattern symmetry not required. There should be no resemblance to the Classic Tabby pattern, and a circular pattern or bullseye is undesirable. The more random the pattern, the better. Additional color tones inside the pattern, giving a “stained glass” effect is desirable. Patterned shoulder markings, and multi-toned markings on legs and tail desirable. Rosettes and spots can be present, particularly on the legs. Strong chin strap, mascara markings desirable. Backs of ears have a lighter colored thumbprint. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Belly must be patterned. Allow for maturity for “stained glass” or full coloration to appear.

RATIONALE: Clarifies that we wish for lighter colors as the thumbprint marking vs. darker.

YES: 19

NO: 45

ABSTAIN: 3

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 64

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

- 36. PROPOSED:** Move the “Charcoal Tabby Pattern” to immediately after “MARBLE TABBY PATTERN” and rename.

BENGAL PATTERNS AND COLORS

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY PATTERN:

MARBLE TABBY PATTERN:

CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN EFFECT:

ROSETTED/SPOTTED TABBY AND MARBLE TABBY COLORS:

BROWN (BLACK) TABBY:

BLACK SILVER TABBY:

BLUE TABBY:

BLUE SILVER TABBY:

~~CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN:~~

CHARCOAL TABBY COLORS:

RATIONALE: The charcoal pattern expresses as a color but is an Agouti gene variant that would normally affect pattern (Melanistic/solid/non-Agouti cats). Therefore, we feel it fits nicely into the pattern section. Calling it a “pattern effect” allows it to be combined with all other colors and patterns. This was approved by 49% on last year’s ballot and is also supported by another group within the council.

YES: 38

NO: 28

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66

60% of Voting: 40

No action.

- 37. ONLY** if Proposal #36 passes, **PROPOSED:** Change the description of the CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN EFFECT as follows:

~~CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN: There should be definite contrast between ground color and markings, with distinct shapes, and clearly defined edges. Pattern should have a~~

horizontal flow. Preference will be given to very dark markings, with clear outlines, and well contrasted to the ground color. There must be white, or nearly white spectacles or “goggles” encircling the eyes. A wide, dark, “cape” running down the length of the back is desirable. Color on chest and belly should be lighter than ground color. Kittens are sometimes rosetted, adults are usually spotted.

CHARCOAL TABBY PATTERN EFFECT: Charcoal Tabby Effect can be present and shown in all acceptable tabby patterns and colors (e.g. Black Charcoal Silver Spotted Tabby). Any color Charcoal Tabby meets the Rosetted/Spotted or Marbled Tabby descriptions with more dramatic spectacles. Less contrast between pattern and ground color as well as a darker overall appearance in-between a tabby and a solid. Mask runs from the nose bridge to the nose tip and connects from the mascara lines to the nose bridge. Wide, dark “cape” on dorsal side may be present.

RATIONALE: This attempts to join 2 large portions of the breed council’s suggestions into a single version where all interests are included positively. The main part of the change was already accepted by 49% of the council last year as well as approved in 2017 from another large portion of the breed council. A few changes made to be more inclusive for Apb/Apb Charcoals.

YES: 37

NO: 28

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

38. PROPOSED: Within the “BROWN (BLACK) TABBY” color description, change as follows:

BROWN (BLACK) TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): All variations of brown tabby are allowed, as the ground color, ranging from buff tan, honey gold, to orange. Markings may be various shades of tan, brown, and black. There should be extreme contrast between ground color and markings, with distinct shapes, and well defined edges. Markings should be two colors with allowances for two-toned tones. Lighter color spectacles enhance the eyes. A much lighter to white ground color on the whisker pads, chin, chest, belly and inner legs, in contrast to the ground color of the flanks and back is desirable. **Nose leather:** Brick red; outlined in to black. **Paw pads:** ~~From pink, to brick red, with allowances for black or brown.~~ Black. **Eye Color:** Gold to green. **Tail tip:** Dark brown to black.

RATIONALE: Removes the color ranges for ground color and markings as they do not need to be listed. Paw pad color in brown tabbies is Black (Breeds and Standards recommendation - we still have allowances for other colors in that section). Removed the nose outline, as this is not a common trait in Brown Bengals. Adds in tail tip to make color easier for judges to identify (at a judge’s recommendation).

YES: 15

NO: 50

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

39. ONLY if Proposal #38 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Within the “BROWN (BLACK) TABBY” color description, change as follows:

BROWN (BLACK) TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): All variations of brown (and gray for Charcoals) are allowed as the ground color, ranging from buff tan, honey gold, to orange. Markings may be various shades of tan, brown, gray and black. There should be extreme contrast between ground color and markings, with distinct shapes, and well defined edges. Markings should be two toned. Lighter color spectacles enhance the eyes. A much lighter to white ground color on the whisker pads, chin, chest, belly and inner legs, in contrast to the ground color of the flanks and back is desirable. **Nose leather:** Brick red, ~~outlined in~~ to black. **Paw pads:** ~~From pink, to brick red, with allowances for black or brown.~~ Black. **Eye color:** Gold to green. **Tail tip:** Brown to black.

RATIONALE: Adds in language for charcoals. Removed the nose outline, as this is not a common trait in Bengals. Corrected paw pad color (Breeds and Standards recommendation – we still have allowances for other colors in that section). Tail tip to make color easier for judges to identify (at a judge’s recommendation).

YES: 16

NO: 49

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

40. ONLY if Proposals #32 and #33 pass (Moving Goggles description into “Pattern”), **PROPOSED:** Change the “BROWN (BLACK) TABBY” color description as follows:

BROWN (BLACK) TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): All variations of brown (are allowed as the ground color, ranging from buff tan, honey gold, to orange. Markings may be various shades of tan, brown and black. There should be extreme contrast between ground color and markings, with distinct shapes, and well defined edges. Markings should be two toned. ~~Lighter color spectacles enhance the eyes.~~ A much lighter to white ground color on the whisker pads, chin, chest, belly and inner legs, in contrast to the ground color of the flanks and back is desirable. **Nose leather:** Brick red, outlined in black. **Paw pads:** From pink, to brick red, with allowances for black or brown. **Eye color:** Gold to green.

RATIONALE: Goggles/spectacles will be described in the each of the 2 patterns and does not need to be repeated in the color description.

YES: 31

NO: 33

ABSTAIN: 3

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 64

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

41. PROPOSED: Change the description for “Black Silver Tabby” color as follows:

BLACK SILVER TABBY (Rosette/Spotted, Marble): Ground color ranges from clear silver white to pewter gray. Markings are medium gray to jet black, ~~with good contrast to ground color. Minimal to no warm tones present on face, back, and legs.~~ Tarnish at extremities is undesirable. ~~Color on chest and belly will be lighter than ground color. Area around eyes, temples, and muzzle are lighter than ground color.~~ Skin pigment around eyes, and lips is black. **Nose leather:** Brick red, ~~or to black.~~ **Paw pads:** Black. **Eye color:** Gold to green. ~~Any color other than blue.~~ **Tail tip:** Black.

RATIONALE: This shortens the current version and is very similar to the 2018 proposed version that 2 larger portions of the Breed Council have already either voted for “yes” for it in 2018 or agreed to this change in 2017. It adds in Eye Color and rearranged Tail Tip positioning to be consistent with other Bengal color descriptions. It also doesn’t penalize Silvers with the gold wash of color over their entire body in a similar way that the current standard does as this is not considered a negative with some breeders.

FINAL VERSION:

BLACK SILVER TABBY (Rosette/Spotted, Marble): Ground color ranges from clear silver white to pewter gray. Markings are medium gray to jet black. Tarnish at points is undesirable. Skin pigment around the eyes and lips is black. **Nose leather:** Brick red to black. **Paw pads:** Black. **Eye color:** Gold to green. **Tail tip:** Black.

YES: 14

NO: 51

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

42. PROPOSED: Change the color description of “Blue Tabby” as follows:

BLUE TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): ~~Ground color is pale blue gray to slate blue gray, with markings being medium blue to darker blue. There should be good contrast between ground color and markings. Warm fawn tones can be present on face, back, and legs. Underside and chest will be lighter in color than ground color found elsewhere. Area around eyes, temples, and muzzle are lighter than ground color. Pigment around eyes, and lips is dark blue.~~ **Nose leather:** ~~Rose, outlined in dark blue.~~ **Paw pads:** ~~Aubergine/purple.~~ **Eye color:** ~~Any color other than blue.~~

BLUE TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): Ground color, including lips and chin, pale bluish ivory. Markings a deeper blue affording a good contrast with ground color. Warm fawn overtones or patina over the whole body. **Nose leather:** Rose to dark gray. **Paw pads:** Rose. **Eye color:** Gold to green. **Tail tip:** Slate blue.

RATIONALE: Changes wording to be more in line with 16 other CFA standards for blue tabby with a few changes necessary to highlight the differences in Bengals. Added in Eye color and tail tip color.

YES: 15

NO: 45

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 60

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

43. ONLY if Proposal #36 passes (acceptance of the Charcoal Pattern Effect), **PROPOSED:** Remove “Brown (Black) Charcoal Tabby” color description.

~~**BROWN (BLACK) CHARCOAL TABBY** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): Same as Brown (Black) Tabby except the Charcoal brown colors are cold browns, with no warm gold, or amber tones and with the addition of, Mask, Goggles and Cape.~~

RATIONALE: Not necessary if “Charcoal Tabby Pattern Effect” is in “Patterns”.

YES: 32

NO: 32

ABSTAIN: 3

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 64

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

44. ONLY if Proposal #36 is not passed, **PROPOSED:** Change the wording “Brown (Black) Charcoal Tabby” description as follows:

BROWN (BLACK) CHARCOAL TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): Same as Brown (Black) Tabby except the Charcoal brown colors are between cold browns gray and black, with no little warm gold, or amber tones. Most come with the addition of, a Mask, Goggles and Cape. **Nose leather:** Brick red to black. **Paw pads:** Black. **Eye Color:** Gold to green. **Tail tip:** Black.

RATIONALE: Adds in Nose leather, paw pad, eye color and tail tip descriptions. Removes focus from brown being one of the charcoal colors, removes unnecessary words like “cold” and “warm”.

YES: 28

NO: 37

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

45. ONLY if Proposal #36 passes, **PROPOSED:** Remove “BLACK SILVER CHARCOAL TABBY” color description.

~~**BLACK SILVER CHARCOAL TABBY** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): Same as Black Silver Tabby with the addition of Mask, Goggles, and Cape.~~

RATIONALE: Not necessary if “Charcoal Tabby Pattern Effect” is in “Patterns”.

YES: 31

NO: 32

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 63

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

46. ONLY if Proposal #36 passes, **PROPOSED:** Remove this “BLUE CHARCOAL TABBY” color description.

~~**BLUE CHARCOAL TABBY** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): Same as Blue Tabby with the addition of Mask, Goggles, and Cape.~~

RATIONALE: Not necessary if “Charcoal Tabby Pattern Effect” is in “Patterns”.

YES: 32

NO: 31

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 63

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

47. ONLY if Proposal #36 passes, **PROPOSED:** Remove “BLUE SILVER CHARCOAL TABBY” color description.

~~**BLUE SILVER TABBY** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): Same as Blue Silver Tabby with the addition of Mask, Goggles, and Cape.~~

RATIONALE: Not necessary if “Charcoal Tabby Pattern Effect” is in “Patterns”.

YES: 31

NO: 32

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 63

60% of Voting: 38

48. PROPOSED: Change the description for “SEAL LYNX POINT” as follows:

~~SEAL LYNX POINT (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground Color can range from ivory to cream, with color on chest and belly being lighter. Markings may vary from light tan to dark seal brown, and be clearly visible. Points vary from warm brown to brownish black. Markings are distinct and separated by lighter ground color. Color around the eyes, temples, and muzzle are light. The point color should not be significantly darker than the body markings. Tail tip should be dark seal brown. Ears warm brown with lighter thumb print in center. NOSE LEATHER: Pink to brick red. PAW PADS: Black. EYE COLOR: Blue~~

SEAL LYNX POINT (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground Color ranges from ivory to light beige. Clearly visible markings on body range from light tan to dark seal brown. **Nose leather:** Pink to brownish black. **Paw pads:** Brownish black, rose-undertones allowed. **Eye color:** Blue. **Tail tip:** Dark seal brown to black.

RATIONALE: Combines 2 large portions of the Breed Council proposals into a single option. Removing the statement about darker points because it is already addressed in the Penalize section. Adds in Tail Tip color description.

YES: 30

NO: 35

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 65

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

49. PROPOSED: Change the description of “SEAL MINK TABBY” as follows:

~~SEAL MINK TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color can range from cream to light tan, with color on chest and belly lighter. Markings may vary from medium tan, to chocolate, to dark seal brown, and be clearly visible. The point color should not be significantly darker than the body markings. Color around the eyes, temples, and muzzle is lighter. Tail tip should be dark seal brown. NOSE LEATHER: Pink to brick red. PAW PADS: Black. EYE COLOR: Aqua (varies from blue-green to turquoise)~~

SEAL MINK TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground Color ranges from ivory to light tan. Clearly visible markings range from chocolate to dark seal brown. Little to no substantially darker point colors. **Nose leather:** Pink to brownish black. **Paw pads:** Brownish black, rose undertones allowed. **Eye color:** Aqua. **Tail tip:** Dark seal brown to black.

RATIONALE: Combines 2 large portions of the Breed Council proposals into a single option. Corrects paw pad color from “Black” to “Brownish black, rose undertones allowed”, adds an additional color for the “Tail tip” to include dark seal brown in addition to Black, moves “Tail tip” to the end of the section to be consistent with all colors in our color description section and simplifies and shortens the current version.

YES: 20

NO: 44

ABSTAIN: 3

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 64

60% of Voting: 39

No action.

50. PROPOSED: Change the description of “SEAL SEPIA” color to the following:

~~**SEAL SEPIA TABBY** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color can range from cream to tan, with color on chest and belly lighter. Markings may vary from dark seal brown to rich dark brown, and be clearly visible. The point color should not be significantly darker than the body markings. Color around the eyes, temples, and muzzle is lighter. Tail tip should be dark seal brown. NOSE LEATHER: Pink to brick red. PAW PADS: Black. EYE COLOR: Green-Gold.~~

SEAL SEPIA TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color ranges from ivory to deep tan. Clearly visible rich dark brown markings. Nose leather: Pink to brownish black. Paw pads: Brownish black, rose undertones allowed. Eye color: Gold to green. Tail tip: Dark seal brown to black.

RATIONALE: Simplifies this portion of the standard, combines 3 larger portions of the Bengal Council, corrects paw pad color and moves “Tail tip” to the end to be consistent with other colors in our standard. For nose leather, it removed the outline verbiage as some Sepia Bengals do not have this.

YES: 31

NO: 32

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 63

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

51. PROPOSED: Change the description for the “BLUE LYNX POINT” as follows:

~~**BLUE SEAL LYNX POINT** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color can range from ivory to cream, with color on chest and belly being lighter. Markings may vary from light blue to dark slate blue, and be clearly visible. Points vary from warm blue to slate blue. Markings are distinct and separated by lighter ground color. Color around the eyes, temples, and muzzle is light. The point color should not be significantly darker than the body~~

markings. Tail tip should be dark slate blue. Ears blue with lighter thumb print in center. ~~NOSE LEATHER: Pink to brick red. PAW PADS: Slate Blue. EYE COLOR: Blue.~~

BLUE LYNX POINT (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground Color ranges from ivory to cream. Clearly visible markings on body range from light blue to darker slate blue. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Slate blue, rose undertones allowed. **Eye color:** Blue. **Tail tip:** Light to medium slate blue.

RATIONALE: Combines multiple portions of Breed Council members' suggestions and shortens the standard. Also, adds in Tail tip to the end.

YES: 25

NO: 35

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 60

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

52. PROPOSED: Change the description for the “BLUE MINK TABBY” as follows:

~~**BLUE MINK TABBY** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color can range from ivory to rich cream, with color on chest and belly lighter. Markings may vary from medium blue to dark slate blue, and be clearly visible. The point color should not be significantly darker than the body markings. Color around the eyes, temples, and muzzle is lighter. Tail tip should be dark slate blue. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Slate Blue. **Eye color:** Aqua (Varies from blue/green to turquoise)~~

BLUE MINK TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground Color ranges from ivory to rich cream. Clearly visible markings range from medium blue to dark slate blue. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Slate blue with rose undertones allowed. **Eye color:** Aqua. **Tail tip:** Medium slate blue.

RATIONALE: A version very similar to this already was voted to approve in the 2018 ballot. Changes to the description from the 2018 proposed ballot are that it removes the word “Blue” after medium so that it refers to “slate blue” and not the more commonly used meaning of medium blue. Simplifies eye color description and moves “Tail tip” to the end to be consistent with other color descriptions.

YES: 26

NO: 34

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 60

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

53. PROPOSED: Change the description for the BLUE SEPIA TABBY as follows:

BLUE SEPIA (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): ~~Ground color can range from medium tan to medium blue, with color on chest and belly lighter. Markings may be various shades of darker blue with warm fawn overtones, and be clearly visible. The point color should not be significantly darker than the body markings. Color around the eyes, temples, and muzzle is lighter. Tail tip should be dark slate blue.~~ **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Slate blue. **Eye color:** Green gold.

BLUE SEPIA (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground Color ranges from medium tan to medium blue. Markings shades of darker blue with warm fawn overtones. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Slate blue. **Eye color:** Gold to green. **Tail tip:** Medium slate blue.

RATIONALE: This is a version very similar to this already approved by 49% with the 2018 ballot. It only changes eye color to include gold/gold eyes which have no green. We moved “Tail Tip” to the end of the description for consistent descriptions amongst the approved colors and shortened the verbiage and corrected paw pad color.

YES: 28

NO: 32

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 60

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

- 54. PROPOSED:** Change the color description for the SEAL SILVER LYNX POINT, SEAL SILVER MINK TABBY and SEAL SILVER SEPIA TABBY as follows:

~~**SEAL SILVER LYNX POINT:** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color ranges from icy white to pale cream, shading to lighter color on belly and chest. There should be very little or no difference between the color of the body markings and point color. Points silvery gray to brownish black barring, distinctly separated by silvery ground color. Seal coloring will be colder than non-silver seal lynx point. Underside of base of tail silver white. Ears silver toned with lighter thumbprint in center. **NOSE LEATHER:** Pink to brick red. **PAW PADS:** Dark Seal Brown. **EYE COLOR:** Blue~~

~~**SEAL SILVER MINK TABBY:** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Body color ranges from ivory to light tan. Tabby pattern ranging from cold bitter chocolate to brown. Ivory or cream whisker pads and chin desirable. Tail tip dark brownish black. Underside of the base of the tail silver white. Ears, nose bridge, and extremities grayish brown with lighter thumbprint in center of ear. **NOSE LEATHER:** Brick red. **PAW PADS:** Dark brown with rosy undertones. **EYE COLOR:** Aqua (varies from blue-green to turquoise).~~

~~**SEAL SILVER SEPIA TABBY:** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Body color ranges from ivory to medium tan. Tabby pattern cold brown. Ivory or cream whisker pads and chin desirable. Tail tip dark brownish black. Underside of the base of the tail silver white. Seal coloring will be colder and duller than in the non-silver sepia tabby. Fur on ears can have a~~

~~silvery gray cast. Ears cold brown with lighter thumbprint in the center. NOSE LEATHER: Brick red. PAW PADS: Dark brown with rosy undertones. EYE COLOR: Gold to green.~~

SEAL SILVER LYNX POINT, SEAL SILVER MINK TABBY & SEAL SILVER SEPIA TABBY: Same as for corresponding non-silver color, except coloring is cooler. White undercoat may be present, especially at underside of tail base.

RATIONALE: This is close to the 2018 Ballot for this section which had 49% approval. Small change to change the phrase “Colder and Duller” into “cooler” and a few punctuation changes. Shortens and simplifies our standard by combining these sections and removing unnecessary verbiage.

YES: 18

NO: 45

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 63

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

55. ONLY if Proposal #54 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Change the description for “SEAL SILVER LYNX POINT” as follows:

SEAL SILVER LYNX POINT (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color ranges from icy white to pale cream, shading to lighter color on belly and chest. There should be very little or no difference between the color of the body markings and point color. Points silvery gray to brownish black barring, distinctly separated by silvery ground color. Seal coloring will be colder than non-silver seal lynx point. Underside of base of tail silver white. Ears silver toned with lighter thumbprint in center. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Dark seal brown. **Eye color:** Blue. **Tail tip:** Dark brown to black.

RATIONALE: Add in tail tip color to be consistent with all other Bengal Colors.

YES: 29

NO: 33

ABSTAIN: 5

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 62

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

56. ONLY if Proposal #54 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Change the description for “SEAL SILVER MINK TABBY” as follows:

SEAL SILVER MINK TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Body color ranges from ivory to light tan. Tabby pattern ranging from cold bitter chocolate to brown. Ivory or cream whisker pads and chin desirable. ~~Tail tip dark brownish black.~~ Underside of the base of the tail silver white. Ears, nose bride, and extremities grayish brown with lighter

thumbprint in center of ear. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick ~~Brick~~ red. **Paw pads:** Dark brown with rosy undertones. **Eye color:** Aqua (varies from blue-green to turquoise). **Tail tip:** Dark brown to black.

RATIONALE: Add in tail tip color to be consistent with all other color variations and add in a lighter color nose leather option. Add in a lighter color option for nose leather.

YES: 27

NO: 36

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 63

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

57. ONLY if Proposal #54 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Change the description for “SEAL SILVER SEPIA TABBY” color as follows:

SEAL SILVER SEPIA TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Body color ranges from ivory to medium tan. Tabby pattern cold brown. Ivory or cream whisker pads and chin desirable. ~~Tail tip dark brownish black.~~ Underside of the base of the tail silver white. Seal coloring will be colder and duller than in the non-silver sepia tabby. Fur on ears can have a silvery gray cast. Ears cold brown with lighter thumbprint in the center. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick ~~Brick~~ red. **Paw pads:** Dark brown with rosy undertones. **Eye color:** Gold to green. **Tail tip:** Dark brown to black.

RATIONALE: Add in tail tip color to be consistent with all other color variations.

YES: 27

NO: 36

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 63

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

58. **PROPOSED:** Change the color description for the BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT, BLUE SILVER MINK TABBY and BLUE SILVER SEPIA TABBY as follows:

~~**BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT** (Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color is ivory to light silver gray. Markings may be various shades of blue gray to light caramel. Underside and chest will range in color from silvery white to light cream. Pigment around eyes, temple, and muzzle is silvery white. Silvery blue gray hues are most detectable on face, legs, back of ears and tail. NOSE LEATHER: Pink to brick red. PAW PADS: Blue gray with rose tones. EYE COLOR: Blue.~~

~~**BLUE SILVER MINK TABBY** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color is cream to light brown, or silvery blue with warm fawn undertones. Markings may be various~~

shades of blue-gray to chocolate, with warm fawn overtones. Undersides and chest will be lighter than background color. Pigment around the eyes, temple, and muzzle is cream to fawn in color. Blue silver hues are most detectable on face, legs, back of ears and tail. NOSE LEATHER: Pink to brick red. PAW PADS: Blue-gray with rose tones. EYE COLOR: Green or gold.

~~**BLUE SILVER SEPIA TABBY** (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal):~~ Ground color is cream to light brown, or silvery blue with warm fawn overtones. Markings may be various shades of blue-gray to chocolate, with warm fawn overtones. Undersides and chest will be lighter than background color. Pigment around the eyes, temples, and muzzle is cream to fawn in color. Blue silver hues are most detectable on face, legs, back of ears and tail. NOSE LEATHER: Pink to brick red. PAW PADS: Blue-gray with rose tones. EYE COLOR: Green or gold.

BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT, BLUE SILVER MINK TABBY AND BLUE SILVER SEPIA TABBY: Same as for corresponding non-silver color, except coloring is cooler. A white undercoat may be present, especially at underside of tail base.

RATIONALE: This is close to the 2018 Ballot for this section which had 49% approval. Small change to change the phrase “Colder and Duller” into “cooler” and a few punctuation changes. Shortens and simplifies our standard by combining these sections and removing unnecessary verbiage.

YES: 19

NO: 42

ABSTAIN: 6

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 61

60% of Voting: 37

No action.

59. ONLY if Proposal #58 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Change the description for “BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT” color as follows:

BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground Color is ivory to light silver gray. Markings may be various shades of blue gray to light caramel. Underside and chest will range in color from silvery white to light cream. Pigment around the eyes, temple, and muzzle is silvery white. Silvery blue-gray hues are most detectable on face, legs, back of ears and tail. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Blue-gray with rose tones. **Eye color:** Blue. **Tail tip:** Blue.

RATIONALE: Add tail tip color to this color description.

YES: 26

NO: 35

ABSTAIN: 6

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 61

60% of Voting: 37

No action.

60. ONLY if Proposal #58 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Change the description for “BLUE SILVER MINK” color as follows:

BLUE SILVER MINK TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color is cream to light brown, or silvery blue with warm fawn undertones. Markings may be various shades of blue-gray to chocolate, with warm fawn overtones. Undersides and chest will be lighter than background color. Pigment around the eyes, temple, and muzzle is cream to fawn in color. Blue silver hues are most detectable on face, legs, back of ears and tail. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Blue-gray with rose tones. **Eye color:** ~~Green or Gold~~ Aqua. **Tail tip:** Blue.

RATIONALE: Correct eye color to Aqua and add tail tip color to this color description.

YES: 26

NO: 34

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 60

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

61. ONLY if Proposal #58 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Change the description for “BLUE SILVER SEPIA TABBY” as follows:

BLUE SILVER SEPIA TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble, Charcoal): Ground color is cream to light brown ~~blue~~, or silvery blue with warm fawn overtones. Markings may be various shades of blue-gray to chocolate, with warm fawn overtones. Undersides and chest will be lighter than background color. Pigment around the eyes, temples, and muzzle is cream to fawn in color. Blue silver hues are most detectable on face, legs, back of ears and tail. **Nose leather:** Pink to brick red. **Paw pads:** Blue-gray with rose tones. **Eye color:** Green or gold. **Tail tip:** Blue.

RATIONALE: Add tail tip color to this color description and correct ground color description from light brown to light blue.

YES: 27

NO: 33

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 60

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

62. ONLY if Proposal #36 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Add in a new Color and description for SEAL LYNX POINT CHARCOAL, SEAL MINK CHARCOAL and SEAL SEPIA CHARCOAL as a group.

SEAL LYNX POINT CHARCOAL, SEAL MINK CHARCOAL AND SEAL SEPIA CHARCOAL: Same as corresponding non-charcoal colors with the addition of Mask, Goggles and Cape and will usually have darker point coloring.

RATIONALE: While included within the pattern sections of these color descriptions, it is not very clear that these are acceptable colors.

YES: 19

NO: 43

ABSTAIN: 5

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 62

60% of Voting: 38

No action.

63. ONLY if Proposal #36 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Add in a new Color and description for BLUE LYNX POINT CHARCOAL, BLUE MINK CHARCOAL AND BLUE SEPIA CHARCOAL as follows:

BLUE LYNX POINT CHARCOAL, BLUE MINK CHARCOAL AND BLUE SEPIA CHARCOAL: Same as corresponding non-charcoal colors with the addition of Mask, Goggles and Cape and will usually have darker point coloring.

RATIONALE: While included within the pattern sections of these color descriptions, it is not very clear that these are acceptable colors.

YES: 17

NO: 42

ABSTAIN: 8

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 59

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

64. ONLY if Proposal #36 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Add in a new Color and description for SILVER LYNX POINT CHARCOAL, SILVER MINK CHARCOAL AND SILVER SEPIA CHARCOAL as follows:

SEAL SILVER LYNX POINT CHARCOAL, SEAL SILVER MINK CHARCOAL AND SEAL SILVER SEPIA: Same as corresponding non-charcoal colors with the addition of Mask, Goggles and Cape and will usually have darker point coloring

RATIONALE: While included within the pattern sections of these color descriptions, it is not very clear that these are acceptable colors.

YES: 17

NO: 44

ABSTAIN: 6

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 61

60% of Voting: 37

No action.

65. ONLY if Proposal #36 does not pass, **PROPOSED:** Add in a new Color and description for BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT CHARCOAL, BLUE SILVER MINK CHARCOAL AND BLUE SILVER SEPIA CHARCOAL as follows:

BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT CHARCOAL, BLUE SILVER MINK CHARCOAL AND BLUE SILVER SEPIA CHARCOAL: Same as corresponding non-charcoal colors with the addition of Mask, Goggles and Cape and will usually have darker point coloring.

RATIONALE: While included within the pattern sections of these color descriptions, it is not very clear that these are acceptable colors.

YES: 18

NO: 41

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 59

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

66. **PROPOSED:** While leaving color titles (and leaving pattern titles and descriptions intact), remove the color descriptions if they are within the umbrella of “AOV”.

AOV PATTERNS/COLORS/COAT LENGTH

AOV PATTERNS:

MELANISTIC PATTERN: The term “Melanistic”, when describing a hybrid cat ...

MELANISTIC PATTERN COLORS:

BLACK MELANISTIC: ~~Ground color is jet black ...~~

BLUE MELANISTIC: ~~Ground color is an even blue ...~~

SEAL POINT MELANISTIC: ~~Ground color ranges ...~~

SEAL MINK MELANISTIC: ~~Ground color is tan to ...~~

SEAL SEPIA MELANISTIC: ~~Ground color is rich, warm, sable ...~~

BLUE POINT MELANISTIC: ~~Ground color ranges from ivory ...~~

BLUE MINK MELANISTIC: ~~Ground color is blue to a warm ...~~

BLUE SEPIA MELANISTIC: ~~Ground color is rich, warm ...~~

SMOKE PATTERN: The smoke Bengal has ghost tabby markings, which have a horizontal flow ...

SMOKE PATTERN COLORS:

BLACK SMOKE: ~~Black with a silvery white ...~~

BLUE SMOKE: ~~Medium to slate blue with ...~~

SEAL SMOKE POINT: ~~Ground Color is pale fawn to ...~~

SEAL MINK SMOKE: ~~Ground color is grayish light brown ...~~

SEAL SEPIA SMOKE: ~~Ground color is grayish, smoky ...~~

BLUE SMOKE POINT: ~~Ground color is pale cream ...~~

BLUE MINK SMOKE: ~~Ground color is grayish light blue ...~~

BLUE SEPIA SMOKE: ~~Ground color is grayish, smoky blue ...~~

AOV COLORS

The following colors, come in the Rosetted/Spotted and Marble Patterns:

CHOCOLATE TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): ~~Ground color is a rich caramel ...~~

CINNAMON TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): ~~Ground color is a warm honey ...~~

LILAC TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): ~~Ground color is pale, frosty, lavender pink ...~~

FAWN TABBY (Rosetted/Spotted, Marble): ~~Ground color is pale ivory ...~~

AOV COAT LENGTH:

LONGHAIR BENGAL (CASHMERE): The Longhaired Bengal can come in any ...

RATIONALE: Color descriptions for AOV colors are usually left out of other standards in CFA. With that said, these colors/patterns will be unique in the Bengal mostly due to its pattern. We may want to consider this option further before implementing.

YES: 10

NO: 50

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 60

60% of Voting: 36

No action.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

67. PROPOSED: Change the GENERAL description as follows:

~~The Bengal is a medium to large cat with a sleek, muscular build. Boning is substantial. Hindquarters slightly higher than shoulders. The tail is thick, with rounded tip, and carried lower than the back. The Bengal's head, expressive nocturnal look, and stunning markings give the breed a wild appearance. The coat is like no other: short, soft, silky to the touch, luxurious, and preferably glittered. Bengals are alert and active, with inquisitive, dependable dispositions. Males are generally larger than females.~~

From the steamy rainforests of South America and Asia, the steep snow covered mountains of Nepal and the deserts & grasslands of sub-Saharan Africa - there is endless inspiration for our breed, the Bengal Cat. The Bengal Cat is a medium to large cat which is solidly built and athletic. They move about the jungle of our living rooms stalking their prey and reminding us of some of the Big Cats of the world. Their muscular body is often seen through the movement of their sleek, long-bodied prowl or an awe inspiring stretch on the judge's scratching pole. The pelt of a Bengal is truly amazing both visually and by touch. Most Bengals have rosetted patterns as seen in many species wild counterparts and comes with a luxurious, soft, sleek, silk satin texture that lies close to the body which often results in jaws dropping when humans touch their first "pelted" Bengal in admiration and wonder.

RATIONALE:

1. This is the place where we paint a picture of the feeling that our breed gives to us and our clients. This paragraph sets the stage. We've been told that it's not the best place for trait specifics because they can either be missed or duplicated unnecessarily. If the traits are important enough to belong in the general description, then they should be addressed in the individual trait section so that it will be easily visible.
2. We are inspired by more than just the ALC ancestor of our breed (the current picture if "of a cat coming out of the jungle" and while this is partially true, it leaves out many rosette spotted cats that are part of our inspiration. Clouded Leopards, Jaguars, African Leopards, Snow Leopards, Black Jaguars etc.
3. Our Breed would benefit from the creation of mental pictures of:
 - a. ALC's, Jaguars and Clouded Leopards coming out of the jungle habitat.
 - b. African Leopards skulking through the bush and grasslands of sub-Saharan Africa.
 - c. Snow Leopards nimbly navigating the steep snow covered mountains of Central Asia.
 - d. Black Panther (or Black Jaguar) sleeping on the branch of a tree.
4. This wording (without the yellow highlight on the website) is the first part of the description for our breed in the 2019 Yearbook.

YES: 9

NO: 57

ABSTAIN: 7

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 66
60% of Voting: 40

No action.

BURMESE

Elected Breed Council Secretary: Art Graafmans – Newport Beach, California
Total Members: 38
Ballots Received: 24

1. **PROPOSED:** Increase the point value of eye color to 10 by removing 1 point from Roundness of head, Breadth between eyes and full face, Proper profile (includes chin), Ear set, Placement, and size, Body color.

HEAD, EARS, and EYES (30)

Roundness of Head ~~7~~6
Breadth between eyes and Full face ~~6~~5
Proper profile (includes Chin) ~~6~~5
Ear set, placement, and size ~~6~~5
Eye placement and shape 5

...

COLOR (30)

Body color ~~25~~24
Eye color ~~5~~10

RATIONALE: The depth and brilliance of eye color in the Burmese is important to the overall look of the breed. Increasing the point value for eye color will encourage judges to pay more attention to this attribute and will, in turn, encourage breeders to concentrate on improving this aspect of the breed. Also, our sister breeds – the Bombay and Tonkinese – both have 10 points for eye color.

YES: 13

NO: 9

ABSTAIN: 2

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 22
60% of Voting: 14

Tartaglia: Did we vote on #1? Oh, I see it didn't pass. **Newkirk:** Speaking of #1, if you're going to change the numbers, you need to go up and address the 30, because that is now like 24 or 26. Make sure these numbers are cogent. They're not. You see what I'm saying, Jacqui? **Bennett:** Yes, alright.

No action.

2. **PROPOSED:** Remove the current date of 12/31/2021 for registering kittens from sable Bombay outcross and extend this approved outcross breed for another 10 years to 12/31/2031. Also to simplify rules of registration procedures for these matings. This provision will update the Burmese Rules of Registration and the notes shown after the Burmese show standard.

YES: 18

NO: 4

ABSTAIN: 2

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 22

>50% of Voting:12

Bennett: The next item is the Burmese. Allene, please promote Karen Thomas. She will be speaking to this, but it needs to be noted that for these next two items, they were not available on the Bombay or Tonkinese ballot as Information Only; therefore, there is no input from these Breed Councils. This was a mistake on our part. I take full responsibility for this. Discussion with the parliamentarian has revealed that we cannot constitutionally repoll the breed councils out of schedule. In the effort to finish and finalize all of the items and the lack of experience on us, we made the mistake of not making sure that those ballots were in there. Karen did inform the Breed Council Secretaries. There should have been ballots. We failed to make sure they were included. This is our responsibility and failure. The Breeds and Standards Committee regrettably recommends that the Burmese Breed Council reballot these items next year, with corresponding items on the affected ballots, but again our Breed Council Secretary is here to speak on these items. **Newkirk:** Jacqui, I want to just make a comment here. I understand that you guys didn't put that on. Those informational things were done before you guys took over and it got lost in the cracks somewhere, is my understanding. **Bennett:** Yes. **Newkirk:** So, if I remember correctly, when this outcross was done, I know that the Bombays objected to it but the board gave that outcross anyway. I don't remember what the Tonkinese vote was at that time, but I sent Art [Graafmans] who is going to be the Breed Council Secretary and Karen a letter from Leslie Lyons, who is at the University of Missouri Genetics Lab. As you all know, she has done a great deal of research and one of the things on there – hang on, let me find it. I want to read what it is, because it's very important. Anyway, in Leslie's thing, she has in bold caps, **WE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED OUTCROSSING FOR ALL BURMESE BREEDS INCLUDING USA AND NON-USA BURMESE**. This is dated June 27, 2016. I don't think there has been a touch from God that there is great genetic diversity in the Burmese breed since June of 2016, so I just want to enter that into the record. Go ahead, I'm done.

Bennett: If we're ready, I'll go through the first item. **Anger:** I would like to move that the Burmese outcross ballot be ruled out of order and tabled or not voted on. **Newkirk:** OK. Shelly, do you want to rule on that? Give me some advice on how to rule on that. Here's what the problem is, Rachel. Their outcross will expire before this reballot is done. That's not fair to them, because they need the outcross. **Anger:** Understood. On the other hand, it's not fair to the affected breeds. I completely understand what you're saying and I have no vested interest on either side. I just want to see it procedurally come down correctly. **Mastin:** I'm just wondering if the Breed Council Secretary can petition the board for an extension on their current ruling. **Newkirk:** I recommended that to Art and I don't know if Karen has that on there. If the board does not entertain this outcross, that they be given an extension to cover any time frame that

would lapse when this expires. **Eigenhauser:** In the past, we have recognized the difference between a registration rule and a standard change. The constitution says that affected breeds have to be polled for standard changes. They do not have to be polled for registration changes. So, registration changes are subject to a different set of rules. They only require a simple majority. They do not require we poll affected breeds. In the past, we have required polling affected breeds, not as a constitutional matter but as a fairness matter. In some cases where it's clear that the other breeds were going to say no anyway, the board has just figured that polling them would be a waste of time and gone forward anyway. So, we have that precedent. **Newkirk:** Thank you George. That's really important here. **Morgan:** Reading from the Guidelines for proposal changes, it reads verbatim: *If a planned proposal affects another breed, the secretary proposing the change must send the change to the secretary of the affected breed. This item will – no ambiguity there – appear on the affected breed's ballot.* Here it doesn't specify standard versus registration change, it simply says if it affects another breed. I can imagine no issue that would affect a breed more than going into an outcross situation. I too am sympathetic to the Burmese. I don't have an issue with this, but if we have guidelines and we don't follow them, then why are we even bothering? Our other breeds deserve our support, as well as the Burmese breed. I don't see how we can proceed without having given them their time for comments. **Newkirk:** George, were you quoting the constitution? **Eigenhauser:** I was discussing the constitution, but I was not quoting it verbatim. I assume Shelly is going to do that for me. **Newkirk:** Rachel, I know you are before Shelly, but can we have Shelly comment on this first? **Anger:** Yes, sure. **Newkirk:** OK, go ahead Shelly.

Perkins: OK, so I did brief this for Jacqui and Teresa, and here is what I wrote. First of all, the constitution only requires, like George said, that we get the poll from the actual breed itself – not the affected breed, but the breed trying to change the standard. So, that's your only requirement. You have two things in play. You have your Guidelines, which the board can override, set aside, follow, make a motion and make any changes they want to those guidelines. Obviously, the constitution you are stuck with. The constitution only says you have to poll the breed that is changing the standard. So, my thoughts that I gave to Teresa and Jacqui was that the constitution must be followed, no matter what. The breed council is an advisory body only. Just so you know, the constitution sets forth that the breed councils are advisory. Any changes are actually up to the board. Whether the poll passed or not, it's only advice. So, any changes that this board wants to make to a breed standard, you could change anything you want here today. This poll was simply to give you advice. The Breed Council Secretary was to evaluate proposals and opinions. The weight of that opinion is taken prior to February's meeting – again, only for not the affected breed, but the breed making the change. The constitution states the way the breed council submits the proposal, but it does not state any limitations on how the board can change the actual breed standard. There's nothing that states that the board must have a proposal, to actually change a breed standard. So, your three options that I saw was that they could try and do a poll last week because the meeting had not happened yet. I see that wasn't done, so the board today can do whatever they want, because you can set aside a guideline. You can provide an extension to a guideline. What you couldn't do was change the constitution. The only constitutional requirement for this change actually has been met, which was that the breed making the change had to poll before this meeting. So, if you want to set aside a decision, which you can do, I see that you can say, "we're going to set aside a decision on this" and then you can poll the affected breeds between now and April, and then make your decision in April, because there's no reason that you can't do that. You only had to poll the breed making the change by

this meeting. So, in all sense of fairness and following your guidelines, you can go ahead and set aside a decision on this until April, to give those affected breeds a chance to weigh in and then make the decision. Then, the constitution will be followed and you don't have to wait a whole year.

Newkirk: Sounds great to me. How about you, Rachel? **Anger:** Sounds great to me. That is how I would like to amend my motion. If I am correct in interpreting what Shelly just said, that we go ahead with this proposal and ballot the affected breed councils, and come back in April to ratify the decision. Is that correct? **Newkirk:** Does that sound OK, Shelly? **Perkins:** You can do that. You can do two things. You can pass this decision here today, keeping in mind that it's under reconsideration until April. You can table it to not vote on the decision until April until you hear from the affected breeds. I daresay in the sense that you have guidelines, then you don't have to change any guidelines if you do the second option, which is to table a vote on this until April, receive the input from the affected breeds, and then vote. **Anger:** Thank you. My motion then is to table this ballot item. The reason I am selecting the stricter interpretation of that is because our procedure in the past has always been to get an informational poll of the affected breeds. They were under the impression they were going to get that courtesy, which they did not. So, perhaps in the future we can go with the stricter interpretation, but today I would like to move to table it. That's my rationale. **DelaBar:** Second. I will go along with Rachel. **Newkirk:** OK. Do you have further comments, Pam? **DelaBar:** The only comment I was going to make is, the tabling seems to be the best, in keeping with anybody who was alive during the period of time when the board did not require a 60% vote of the breed council to change breeds, even from longhair to shorthair, etc. We want to be as strict as possible, to what is written and what we have done in the past, in requiring changes to breed standards. **Newkirk:** That's fine, OK. Any other comments? Is there any objection to Rachel's motion and Pam's second? **Anger:** To table. **Newkirk:** Hearing no objection, this ballot item is tabled.

The motion [to table] is ratified by unanimous consent.

Newkirk: Allene, you'll prepare a ballot to send out to the Tonk and the Bombay people? **Tartaglia:** Yes. We'll all work together to get those done. **Newkirk:** Good deal. Thank you very much.

[Ballot item] Tabled.

3. **PROPOSED:** Burmese allowable outcross breeds: Tonkinese through December 31, 2021; imported Southeast Asian Cats; sable Bombay through December 31, ~~2021~~ 2031.

CFA Burmese Breed Council: Out-Cross to Bombay Policy (~~Approved 02/13~~) The Burmese breed may out-cross to the sable Bombay for the time period beginning January 1, ~~2013~~ 2021 and extending through December 31, ~~2021~~ 2031. Offspring of these breedings whose coat color is one of the approved Burmese colors may be registered as Burmese.

General Requirements:

1. The Bombay parent must be registered in CFA with prefix 0412/0413. ~~A Bombay cat registered in a foreign registry may be used once it has been registered in CFA.~~

~~2. The Bombay parent must have a sable coat color $e^b e^b$.~~

~~3. The Bombay parent must be color tested to not carry cinnamon (negative for bl).~~

Checklist: 106

☐ - A CFA litter application is provided.

☐ - A CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.

☐ - A CFA registration number with prefix 0412/0413 is provided for the Bombay parent.

☐ ~~- A genetic test is provided indicating the Bombay parent tests as sable in color and is negative for cinnamon.~~

RATIONALE:

For historical reference

ALLOWABLE OUTCROSS BREEDS:

Date: 2/2012	Tonkinese 1/1/2012-12/31/2021 (see notes)
Date: 2/2012	Southest Asian Cats (per import policy-see notes)
Date: 2/2013	Amend South East Asian Cats to clarify that pointed and mink are included
Date-2/2013	Sable Bombay through 12/31/2021

Although the use of these outcross options has been available for 10 years there is still much to accomplish in improving the health and vitality of the Burmese breed. In a recent survey of active CFA Burmese breeders 95% of those responding had used one or more of the three available outcrosses. Of those breeders a combined total of 89.5% reported larger and/or healthier kittens in litters or larger numbers of kittens in litters where outcrosses were used. Of those who reported using the outcrosses 89% said they kept one or more offspring from these outcross litters in their breeding program. This indicates that breeders are using outcrosses and that the use of outcrosses is helping. However, there is no way of measuring whether, if we stop the outcross policies, the improvements will continue.

The requirement for cats registered in a foreign registry to be registered in CFA is redundant since CFA registration with prefix 0412/0413 is required and thus is removed. The statement that the Bombay cat must have a sable coat color is redundant since CFA registration with prefix 0412/0413 is required and thus is removed. The DNA test for cinnamon is not required to register a Bombay in CFA and thus is removed.

The use of the sable Bombay and the Tonkinese may actually be of benefit to the Bombay and Tonkinese breeders as it gives them a market for cats they may not want to use in their breeding programs and it encourages Burmese breeders to add Bombay and Tonkinese cats to their breeding programs thus increasing the overall numbers of Bombay and Tonkinese.

Do you support the proposal to extend the use of sable Bombay outcrosses until December 31, 2031?

YES: 20

NO: 2

ABSTAIN: 2

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 22

>50% of Voting:12

Tabled.

- 4. PROPOSED:** Remove the current date of 12/31/2021 for registering kittens from Burmese/Tonkinese breedings and extend this approved outcross breed for another 10 years to 12/31/2031. Also to simplify the rules of registration for these matings. This provision will update the Burmese Rules of Registration and the notes shown after the Burmese show standard.

Proposed: Burmese allowable outcross breeds: Tonkinese through December 31, ~~2021~~ 2031; imported Southeast Asian Cats; sable Bombay through December 31, 2021.

General Requirements for Registering/Recording Offspring from Burmese bred to Tonkinese: A Burmese cat may be bred to a CFA Tonkinese of any allowed color and pattern or to a Tonkinese registered in another registry that is eligible to be registered in CFA**. Any resulting kitten must be genetically tested for coat pattern. Kittens tested to have a solid sepia (c^bc^b) color may be registered as Burmese. Kittens that test as mink (cscs), may be registered in the CATS registered as a T1 OutCross Burmese***. These Out-Cross Burmese are then eligible to be bred to a Burmese with the same rules as if they were a Tonkinese, with their mink coat patterned offspring being designated as T2, T3... Out-Cross Burmese. Tonkinese cats that originate from a foreign registry must also genetically test negative for the following conditions to be eligible for use as an out-cross to Burmese: • Gangliosidosis 2 — Burmese • Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency • Hypokalemia • Disallowed Coat Colors

Note that champagne may be designated as chocolate and platinum may be designated as lilac in other registries.^[1]

^[1]*** Note that a Burmese to Tonkinese breeding should never produce a pointed patterned offspring (cscs).

A Burmese cat may be bred to any CFA registered Tonkinese of the four accepted colors (natural, blue, champagne platinum) and any pattern (solid, mink, pointed) to produce offspring that may be used in a Burmese breeding program. The exception is Honey Mink prefix numbers 2604/2605 and Tonkinese registered as AOV prefix numbers 2698/2699. Either the Tonkinese parent is DNA tested as solid (c^bc^b) or the offspring are tested for pattern. Only those kittens produced by a solid Tonkinese X Burmese mating or those kittens testing c^bc^b from a mink Tonkinese X Burmese mating may be registered as a Burmese. Kittens from a mink Tonkinese X Burmese mating that do not test as solid and all kittens

from a pointed Tonkinese X Burmese mating must be listed in the Cats Ancestral Tracking registry. These cats may then be used for breeding in the same way as a mink Tonkinese with the same requirements for registration of offspring.

For reference-this table shows example of registrations of Tonkinese X Burmese breedings

<u>Tonkinese parent</u> <u>c^bc^b</u> <u>Solid (DNA</u> <u>tested)</u>	<u>All kittens would be c^bc^b and may be registered</u> <u>as Burmese</u>
<u>Tonkinese parent</u> <u>mink</u>	<u>Kittens may test c^bc^b and be registered as</u> <u>Burmese or may test c^bc^s and be listed in CATS</u> <u>registry. The latter will be treated the same as a</u> <u>mink Tonkinese for future breedings</u>
<u>Tonkinese parent</u> <u>pointed</u>	<u>All kittens will be c^bc^s. They will be listed in the</u> <u>CATS registry and will be treated as mink</u> <u>Tonkinese for future breedings</u>

Checklist for Registering/Recording Burmese to Tonkinese as Burmese or Foundation Burmese Offspring:

- ☐ ~~The required genetic test for color has been provided.~~
- ☐ ~~The cat/kitten's genetic test for color indicates a solid sepia coat color (c^bc^b). This cat is eligible for registration as a Burmese.~~
- ☐ ~~The cat/kitten's genetic test for color does not indicate a solid sepia coat color (c^bc^s). This cat is eligible for recording in the CATS database.~~

~~Tonkinese cats that originate from a foreign registry must also genetically test negative for the following conditions to be eligible for use as an outcross to Burmese:~~

~~Gangliosidosis 2—Burmese—Test Negative~~

~~Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency—Test Negative~~

~~Hypokalemia—Test Negative~~

~~Disallowed Coat Colors—Any color that is not Natural (Sable), Champagne (Chocolate), Blue or Platinum (Lilac).~~

Checklist: 164

- ☐ - A CFA litter application is provided.
- ☐ - A CFA registration number is provided for the Burmese parent.

□ - A CFA registration number is provided for the Tonkinese parent.

-If the Tonkinese parent is solid with registration prefix numbers 2620/21, 2622/23, 2626/27, 2628/29 a DNA test must be attached confirming the parent is $c^b c^b$

-If the Tonkinese parent is mink with registration prefix numbers 2600/2601, 2602/03 2606/07, 2608/09 or is listed in the CATS registry as F1 Burmese outcross a DNA test is attached for each kitten to be registered as Burmese confirming $c^b c^b$. Any other kittens in the litter would be listed in the CATS registry as F1 Burmese outcross. Tonkinese with prefix number 2604/05 honey mink or AOV Tonkinese with prefix number 2698/2699 may NOT be used in a Burmese breeding program.

-If the Tonkinese parent is pointed with registration prefix numbers 2630/31, 2632/33, 2636/37, 2638/39 the offspring will all be listed in the CATS registry as F1 Burmese outcross.

RATIONALE:

For historical reference

ALLOWABLE OUTCROSS BREEDS:

Date: 2/2012	Tonkinese 1/1/2012-12/31/2021 (see notes)
Date: 2/2012	Southeast Asian Cats (per import policy-see notes)
Date: 2/2013	Amend South East Asian Cats to clarify that pointed and mink are included
Date-2/2013	Sable Bombay through 12/31/2021

Although the use of these outcross options has been available for 10 years there is still much to accomplish in improving the health and vitality of the Burmese breed. In a recent survey of active CFA Burmese breeders 95% of those responding had used one or more of the three available outcrosses. Of those breeders a combined total of 89.5% reported larger and/or healthier kittens in litters or larger numbers of kittens in litters where outcrosses were used. Of those who reported using the outcrosses 89% said they kept one or more offspring from these outcross litters in their breeding program. This indicates that breeders are using outcrosses and that the use of outcrosses is helping. However, there is no way of measuring whether, if we stop the outcross policies, the improvements will continue.

The allowance of foreign registry Tonkinese to be used if eligible for CFA registration is removed in favor of requiring CFA registration of the Tonkinese parent. DNA testing for pattern is simplified. The use of money mink Tonkinese and AOV Tonkinese, not previously prohibited, is excluded here as this Could add undesirable colors that must be excluded from the Burmese genome.

The use of the sable Bombay and the Tonkinese may actually be of benefit to the Bombay and Tonkinese breeders as it gives them a market for cats they may not want to use in their breeding programs and it encourages Burmese breeders to add Bombay and Tonkinese cats to their breeding programs thus increasing the overall numbers of Bombay and Tonkinese.

Do you support the proposal to extend the use of Tonkinese outcrosses until December 31, 2031?

YES: 20

NO: 2

ABSTAIN: 2

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 22

>50% of Voting:12

Tabled.

BURMILLA

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Stephanie Mohr, Nine Mile Falls, Washington

Total Members: 5

Ballots Received: 5

Bennett: The next item is the Burmilla. For these items, it should be noted again that the European Burmese was not balloted. However, in this specific case, it should also be noted that the European Burmese Breed Council Secretary was reached out to, both by the Burmilla Breed Council Secretary, the Breeds and Standards Committee and directly from our board member, and chose not to do a ballot item. She was asked numerous times, so in this case we can't do it for her, but she was asked to do a ballot. There was also a difference of opinion as to whether the European Burmese were actually affected, so we need the board to make this determination. Also, in the other ballot items, the Burmilla Breed Council Secretary and her assistant Keith were informed that to increase color classes with Any Other Burmilla Color, their proposal was not following the advancement of color class matrix and that the board would be so informed. They said that the board had made exceptions in the past, and therefore we allowed the item to be done with the knowledge that it was not following the precedent of color class requirements. So, that's what we need to start with.

Newkirk: Jacqui, I want to make two comments. First is about the European Burmese. That's one of the parent breeds of the Burmilla. **Bennett:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Alright, so they are an affected breed, in my opinion. The board can rule whatever they want, but they are one of the parent breeds. On #2, there's more than just the issue of not following the colors that basically would be AOV colors. If you will look at their breed standard, their outcross is European Burmese until 12/31/2028, and then following that is Asian. There's no cut-off date for them outcrossing to Asian. Now, I sent the board and the Breeds and Standards Committee, this breed originated in the GCCF and they are called Asians. Burmilla is a color division under the Asian. What this does, Allene if you will scroll down so we can see all these patterns. The smoke, the tabby, the solid and the sepia – which is Burmese-restricted colors – are all Asians. These are Asians, and if we pass this, you are essentially including the Asian breed into the Burmilla breed, and that is totally against anything that this organization has ever done in the past. I can't vote, but please understand what you are doing is, you're taking the GCCF standard with the five colors, because if you add the chinchilla and shaded into these four that are listed here, you have got the Asian breed standard that is on the GCCF website. I sent a copy to all the board members of that. So, I just want you to understand what's going on here, OK? Jacqui, have any AOV

Burmillas been shown? **Bennett:** No. There has been no record of any AOV Burmilla being shown. Also, be aware, they were not asking for these to be AOV colors, they specifically said Any Other Burmilla Colors and referenced the Devon Rex standard. When we were asking about AOV, Keith and Stephanie both said no, they wanted like All Other Devon Rex Colors, All Other Burmilla Colors, which would automatically promote them into championship. We told them that was not how it was done. **Newkirk:** I agree with you, and I sure hope the board understands this.

1. **PROPOSED:** Add Silver and Golden to the existing Burmilla Patterns heading.

BURMILLA PATTERNS

SILVER AND GOLDEN

CHINCHILLA SILVER: ...

SHADED SILVER: ...

CHINCHILLA GOLDEN: ...

SHADED GOLDEN: ...

RATIONALE: This is to distinguish the silver and golden patterns from the non-silver patterns. The non-silver patterns will be registered as OBC – other Burmilla colors.

YES: 5

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 5

60% of Voting: 3

P. Moser: I'm just talking about #1, not the rest. **Newkirk:** OK. **P. Moser:** On #1, since the European [Burmese] Breed Council decided that they would not participate at all, after all those numerous askings by the Breeds and Standards Committee, then I would think that if they didn't want to do it, that we should pass that one. That's just #1. **Newkirk:** Allene, you've got to scroll so we can see #1. OK, #1 is only adding Burmilla patterns. It's just adding a line into the standard. Is that correct, Jacqui? **Bennett:** Yes. **Newkirk:** There doesn't seem to be an issue with that one. The issue is #2. **Bennett:** Yes. **Newkirk:** So let's take #1 and dispose of that. Then we will get to #2. We'll get Stephanie's input. Pam discussed #1. Is there any other discussion on #1? This seems pretty straightforward. Hearing no discussion, is there any objection to passing Proposal #1 on the Burmilla patterns? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, #1 is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

[From end of Burmilla ballot discussion] **Newkirk:** OK Melanie, you're recognized. **Morgan:** Can we go back to item #1 on the Burmilla? I believe that since #2 and #3 didn't pass, that we have now approved something that is non-relevant and that won't make sense. Maybe I

am wrong, because in their proposal they have things like the tabby pattern. No, I'm sorry. I'm reading the wrong thing, my mistake. I merged 2 and 3. Never mind, we're OK. **Newkirk:**
 Alright, good deal.

2. **PROPOSED:** Add the following Burmilla patterns as non-silver Burmilla, to be classified as any Other Burmilla Color.

BURMILLA PATTERNS

NON-SILVER – Other Burmilla Color

SMOKE: white undercoat, deeply tipped with specific color. Cat in repose appears to be of the specified color. In motion the white undercoat is apparent. Points and mask of marking color with narrow band of white at base of hairs next to skin, which may be seen only when fur is parted. **Nose leather and paw pads:** appropriate to marking color and tipping. Specified marking color, tipping in black, seal sepia, chocolate, blue, lilac, caramel, red, cream, tortoiseshell colors.

TABBY: The tabby pattern, which may be spotted, classic, mackerel or ticked, is formed by markings of the solid pattern color on a background of agouti hairs. In standard tabby the markings should be dense, as near as possible to the roots and in silver tabbies they should extend well down the hair. The marking should show good contrast with the ground color, but in dilute colors and Burmese restriction colors, the contrast between the markings and the ground color is less than that required in non-dilute or full expression colors. In tortie tabby the distribution of tortie markings is immaterial.

SOLID OR SELF (FULL EXPRESSION): The coat may be in any full expression color accepted in the Burmilla; i.e., black, blue, chocolate, etc. The coats of kittens and adolescent cats need time to develop full pigmentation. The coat is dense and shimmering color with more feel and substance than the shaded and chinchilla silver patterns.

SEPIA (BURMESE COLOR-RESTRICTION): The Burmese color-restriction gene has the effect of reducing the melanin in the hair shaft particularly close to the skin, thus color cannot be sound to the roots nor can the undercoat be as rich as in the equivalent full expression cat. The coat shades gradually to the roots, with no smoke effect or ticking. Body underparts are slightly paler than the back. The points may show some contrast. The coat may be in any of the Burmese colors accepted in the Burmilla - seal sepia, chocolate, blue, lilac, caramel, red, cream, and tortoiseshell colors.

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Burmilla Color Class Numbers

All Colors (Longhair).....	4500	4501
All Colors (Shorthair).....	5500	5501
<i>(All accepted colors as defined in the show standards.)</i>		

OBC (Other Burmilla Color) Longhair.....	4590	4591
OBC (Other Burmilla Color) Shorthair.....	5590	5591

RATIONALE: With the present allowable outcrosses available to the Burmilla, non-silver pattern Burmillas are a naturally occurring progeny of Burmilla breeding.

YES: 5

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 5

60% of Voting: 3

Newkirk: Let's go to #2. I think Stephanie should have a say here. She needs to be heard. **Tartaglia:** She is in. She just has to unmute. **Newkirk:** Unmute Stephanie and give us your talk here. **Tartaglia:** Both Stephanie and Keith are panelists at this point. **Newkirk:** Well, Keith shouldn't be on because he's not the Breed Council Secretary, so you can remove Keith. **Tartaglia:** OK. **Newkirk:** Thank you. He can talk to Stephanie and she can present any points that he wants presented. I'm following the procedure that we have always followed. Only the Breed Council Secretary or Committee Chair addresses the board. **Tartaglia:** Stephanie is still muted. **Newkirk:** Melanie, let's go ahead with you while we wait for Stephanie to get unmuted.

Morgan: Thank you. Darrell, I have to say that I agree with the sentiments that you expressed. This kind of feels like a back door for a new breed. **Newkirk:** Absolutely. **Morgan:** Let me say, they talk about the fact that they want to do this with this cat and they have these. Not every cat is a show cat. Not every cat is a breeding cat. I really believe the proposal is out of order, given the fact that the European Burmese is an affected breed. In my opinion, the way that we have our guidelines written, it's not optional whether they put it on their ballot. It says they will put it on their ballot. So, if they chose not to do their due diligence, then we need to do it for them as part of our responsibility. So, I understand that they were contacted, they didn't take the action, but again it is incumbent on Breeds and Standards to insure the procedures are followed. But, even if that proper procedure had been followed, it doesn't follow the guidelines for acceptance of new colors, as has been mentioned by Jacqui. Again, if we're not going to enforce our guidelines, we shouldn't have them. I would also like to go back to the February 2011 minutes where the Burmilla was accepted, and a board member asked, "My question to you would be, of all these associations that you listed in the back that currently accept them, do they accept them only in silver colors?" Breed Council Secretary: "All except for GCCF, which is in the UK." Darrell, you mentioned that they fall under the Asian breed. He goes on to say, "we have decided to take the approach of what we think will be best for the breed long term to let the cat fancy know that we want them to associate the Burmilla with a silver cat." We know that we subsequently changed that to add in the golden. But later in the discussion, they addressed what the plan was for their other colors. Board Member: "If you generate those kittens, where do they go since you don't have an AOV class? Are they just non-registerable?" Breed Council Secretary: "Correct. We want – as CFA, we want to pet those kittens out." Then I did a little more research. You're correct, GCCF does have Asians and have the Burmilla fall under there. I can't find any other registries that accept all of them. Australia, also a huge stronghold for the breed at this point, have limited themselves only to silver and golden derivatives. I really think this is a back door. Sorry to go on so long, but I just wanted to provide a little bit of context.

Newkirk: OK, thank you Melanie. You're exactly right. The GCCF and LOOF are the only ones that have Asians.

Newkirk: Stephanie is unmuted now. She couldn't find the red button to unmute, so Stephanie, can you chime in with your thoughts? **Mohr:** Hi, good morning. Our main goal here if possible is to find a way to register the Asians that are coming in from the other countries – LOOF and GCCF. So, that's what we're looking for at this point primarily, is an avenue to register those Asians in CFA, so that they can be used in breeding programs. **Newkirk:** OK. Anything else, Stephanie? **Mohr:** Just to add – I don't know if this makes a difference or not – I imported what was called a "Tiffany" from England a few years back and he was registered in CFA. So, the Tiffany is the longhaired version of the Asian. **Newkirk:** What color was your Tiffany? **Mohr:** Black Shaded Silver. **Newkirk:** OK, and that would fit our Burmilla standard. **Mohr:** OK, OK. **Newkirk:** That's why it got registered. **Mohr:** OK.

Anger: I wanted to continue a little bit about what Melanie said. First of all, as a board member, I have judged the Asians in Australia. This was a number of years ago. They had them in the association where I judged them. Second, I'm going to put my World Cat Congress delegate hat on now. If we accept these Asian colors and patterns, and call them Burmilla, we're going to be going against our format that we have where we all work together and we all call a duck "a duck." In other words, another association had a cat called the Bombay that was not what we call a Bombay. So, we worked that out and now they call it something else. I think if we do this, we're going to be upsetting the Asian breed on a worldwide basis. I love the Asians. I would love to have them as a breed. We have a process for them to come in. I would love to be a part of that, even, and have an Asian, but to do it the way it's being done here, I don't want to see it being done that way. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. When I talked to Stephanie last night I told her that these colors need to come in either as Asians. I said the board might entertain – I don't know if they would – but a division of the Burmilla called the Asian Division for these colors. I think that would be also a potential option for them, but they need to go through the process, just like the Toybobs are doing right now, just like the Khao Manee and like the Lykoi are doing. You can't come in through the back door, as Melanie said – and that's a term that I use – by accepting all the Asian colors in the Burmilla breed. That's just not right in my opinion.

Newkirk: Anybody else have comments? No? OK, so I will call the vote on this. Since I think there's going to be yesses and no's, I will ask everybody, if you are in favor of accepting these Asian colors into the Burmilla patterns that are listed in here, which goes against anything that we've ever done in the past, please raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Roy abstained.

Newkirk: I don't see any hands up, so the yesses are none. If you are against this, please raise your hand. The no votes are Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Secretary Anger, Howard Webster, Kathy Calhoun, Pam DelaBar, Cathy Dunham, Brian Moser, Cyndy Byrd, Rich Mastin, Pam Moser, Hayata-san, Kenny Currle, John Colilla, Steve McCullough, Carol Krzanowski. Is there any abstentions? Everybody take your hand down. Sharon Roy abstained. Rachel, do you want to announce the vote? **Anger:** Yes. We have zero yes votes, 16 no votes, one abstention. **Newkirk:** OK. So Stephanie, I would recommend that you work with Jacqui and Teresa, and Rachel has volunteered to help – she is the liaison for the committee – to work on a

way to either get the Asian recognized as a breed, or a division of the Burmilla. I think it would be better as a breed, but that's just my opinion. So, my recommendation is, you work with them to get these colors recognized in the proper order. OK? **Mohr:** Thank you.

3. **PROPOSED:** Register all non-silver cats, who are the offspring of heterozygous Burmilla to Burmilla breeding and/or registered in other associations worldwide as Asian, as Burmilla. Designate that they will be registered as any Other Burmilla Color in the non-silver Burmilla patterns.

RATIONALE: The Burmilla breed originated as a division of the Asian breed in GCCF. After acceptance of the Asian, unlike GCCF, other associations recognized the Burmilla as a separate breed. To date, only WCF, GCCF and LOOF have registered the Asian as a separate breed. FIFE, TICA, CCA, CFA and other associations in the World Cat Congress have not recognized the Asian as a separate breed. They are presently not eligible for registration in CFA.

Since the Asian breed originated with the inception of the Burmilla, and the introduction of the shaded silver pattern to the Burmese, the silver offspring were registered as Burmilla and the non-silver offspring were called Asian. Since all Asians have the origination in the silver Burmilla they are a result of breeding heterozygous silver cats to non-silver allowable outcrosses such as the European Burmese, Burmese (non-American) and Asians.

YES: 5

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 5

>50% of Voting:3

Bennett: Our next item is Exotic. **Eigenhauser:** Did we vote on item #3? **Newkirk:** No. No, we didn't. **Bennett:** OK, item #3. Stephanie, do you have anything you want to say on that? **Newkirk:** Allene, go back to #3 please. I don't think we have ever done this before. **Mohr:** OK. This would be, this is regarding, say, if you breed two Burmillas together and you get a ticked tabby, which does happen. I've had them. Also, breeding Burmilla to Burmilla sometimes produces a smoke. It does happen occasionally in the early generation cats. So, we are asking to be able to register those in the color that they are as a Burmilla, because they are the product of two Burmillas. **Bennett:** It should be noted again that the request was for Other Burmilla Colors, not as AOV. It is not specified here as AOV, so the same rule applies for championship colors not being followed on this one, as well. **Newkirk:** So Stephanie, your AOV colors get an AOV registration prefix, don't they? **Mohr:** I believe we have some BCS codes that were put in place by Shirley recently. **Newkirk:** Hang on a second here. You've got – in your breed standard, you've got AOV Longhair, AOV Shorthair. I don't know how the registration numbers are issued at Central Office, but I would think that if you've got an AOV color, you would get that AOV prefix in the registration number. **Mohr:** OK. **Newkirk:** Can somebody – **DelaBar:** I was just going to recommend that these cats go as AOV. To do otherwise is bringing in a new color into championship as the Other Burmilla Color. They are AOVs. **Morgan:** I'm looking at their Rules of Registration. I thought they got rid of their AOV. "There are no registerable AOV colors or patterns," is in their Rules of Registration, so they would need to change that in order to

do that. **Newkirk:** OK. Well, it's in the breed standard. That's all I'm saying. **Morgan:** And I'm just reading the Rules of Registration. **Newkirk:** I understand, I understand that. **Morgan:** So they need to clean that up.

Newkirk: We have a standing motion. **Simbro:** I was just going to say, I took a quick look at the BCS codes in this system and I don't see AOV. I see OBC. I don't know if that's an old one that was used for something. Maybe for "Other Burmilla Colors." **Newkirk:** OK. Alright, so it looks like they need to clean up their registration rules and put that AOV status back in. Is that your suggestion, Melanie? **Morgan:** Yes. It wasn't that long ago, because I think I was Breeds and Standards Chair at the time that they were very vehement about needing their AOV classes. So, I really think that this is a great mechanism for being able to handle these cats the way that they seem to want to, is to reinstate that. That would be my recommendation, and cleaning up the Rules of Registration versus the standard. **Newkirk:** Yes. If you don't have an AOV class, you can't show AOVs so you can get them – **Morgan:** Exactly. **Newkirk:** That's the step you take to get them into championship colors.

Newkirk: Alright, we've spent enough on this. Let's call the vote. If you're in favor of Proposal #3, raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

Newkirk: Alright, I don't see any hands up. If you're against #3 raise your hand. I have Melanie Morgan, Pam DelaBar, George Eigenhauser, Pam Moser, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, Brian Moser, Cyndy Byrd, Kenny Currle, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Hayata-san, Steve McCullough, John Colilla and Secretary Anger. If you will take your hands down, I'll call for the abstentions. Did I call Sharon Roy on the no votes? **Anger:** No. **Morgan:** Sorry, I'm not abstaining, but I do have a comment before we move on from Burmilla. Sorry. **Newkirk:** OK, that's fine, that's fine. Are there any abstentions? **Roy:** Darrell, this is Sharon. I voted no. **Newkirk:** Oh, OK. Thank you Sharon. There are 17 to name off, and so I can't remember all of them. OK, so the motion fails.

EXOTIC

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Lynn Cooke – Kings Park, New York

Total Members: 84

Ballots Received: 76

1. **PROPOSED:** Change the current name of the Himalayan Division to the following:

HIMALAYAN-POINTED DIVISION

CHOCOLATE POINT: body ivory. Points milk-chocolate color, warm in tone. **Nose leather and paw pads:** cinnamon pink. **Eye color:** deep vivid blue. **Disqualify** for white toes, eye color other than blue.

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Exotic Color Class Numbers

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HIMALAYAN POINTED DIVISION

Chocolate Point7670 7671

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RATIONALE: The name “Himalayan” is associated with a longhair pointed cat. Pointed Exotic Shorthairs are referred to as pointed Exotics.

YES: 61

NO: 11

ABSTAIN: 4

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 72

60% of Voting: 44

Newkirk: Let’s move on to the next breed. **Bennett:** The next breed to discuss is the Exotic Shorthair. The first proposal is changing the name of the Himalayan Division to the Pointed Division, and the names of the applicable colors from Himalayan to Point. There were no complications with this one. **Newkirk:** Overwhelming vote, too. Alright, comments? **Morgan:** This is for the Exotic Shorthair only, not the Exotic Longhair, right? **Bennett:** Yes. **Morgan:** Alright, just checking, thanks. **Newkirk:** I’ll ask for unanimous consent. Is there any objection to the proposal #1 under the Exotic? OK, hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, Proposal #1 is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

2. **PROPOSED:** Allow Bi-Color points to be shown in the Calico & Bi-Color division under the Other Bi-Color color class. Add the following color description for POINTED AND WHITE to the list of accepted Calico & Bi-Color Division colors and include them in the OTHER BI-COLORS color class:

CALICO AND BI-COLOR DIVISION

...

LILAC-SILVER PATCHED TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, spotted): ...

POINTED AND WHITE: a cat with white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the currently established color point (Himalayan) pattern color descriptions. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have white toes, legs, undersides, chest and muzzle. Inverted V is desirable. Less white than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. As a preferred minimum, the cat should have a colored tail and one or more patches of color on the head. Less color than this minimum should be penalized proportionately. Eye color: deep vivid blue. Disqualify: eye color other than blue.

OTHER TABBY & WHITE (classic, mackerel, spotted): ...

Exotic Color Class Numbers

...

Other Bi-Colors.....7590 7591

*(Chocolate Bi-Color, Lilac Bi-Color,
Chocolate Calico, Lilac Calico, Chocolate
Point & White, Seal Point & White, Flame
(Red) Point & White, Calico Point, Lilac
Point & White, Blue Point & White, Cream
Point & White, Dilute Calico Point, Seal Lynx
Point & White, Blue Lynx Point & White,
Tortie Lynx Point & White, Blue-Cream Lynx
Point & White, Flame (Red) Lynx Point &
White, Cream Lynx Point & White, Chocolate
Lynx Point & White, Lilac Lynx Point &
White, Chocolate Tortie Lynx Point & White,
Lilac-Cream Lynx Point & White)*

NOTE: Bi-Color point Exotic Longhairs will remain AOV's until there is a corresponding acceptable color class designated for them in the Persian class.

RATIONALE: Pointed and White Bi-Colors are naturally occurring colors within the breed and worthy of obtaining championship status within CFA. We accept all other colors that are required to genetically produce this color and feel adding these cats to our standard is a move in the right direction. It is proposed that they be judged in the Other Bi-Colors color class as there will likely be too few initially competing on the show bench to grant them their own separate color class. Breeders that are producing these colors are registering and exhibiting them in other associations where they are recognized for CH status and aren't considered AOV's. It would benefit CFA in revenue and in show counts to allow these colors to be accepted.

*Statistics on yearly counts will be made available upon request.

YES: 50

NO: 21

ABSTAIN: 5

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 71

>50% of Voting: 36

Bennett: Proposal #2 is another one of our sticky wickets. In this case, the Exotic Breed Council Secretary asked to allow bi-color points to be shown in the Calico & Bi-Color Division. It was explained to her again that this is accepting a new color in championship and it was not following the matrix. I requested numbers shown in AOV. She could not provide me with any of those, and did not. Therefore, again, because she said that it had been done before and she wanted to see what the board would do, we allowed the item, but be aware it goes against our practice of adding additional colors into championship class without the use of AOV and proper

numbers being provided. **Morgan:** I have the same concerns that Jacqui just outlined about the fact that we're introducing colors without following our procedures, but more to the point I believe this is a standard issue, not a registration issue. **Newkirk:** Allene, can you scroll up so we can read #2? Go back up to the opening statement. **Bennett:** We classified it as a registration issue, because at this point they are registered as AOVs. They are not registered in a recognized class, which is why we said "Registration Issue." It could go either way. Either way, the Breeds and Standards Committee does not think it is appropriate to pass. **Newkirk:** Thank you for your input, Jacqui. **Anger:** I have 60% of 71 is 47, so it would pass either way, if my math is correct. But, it should be noted under its correct category whatever we decide.

Cooke: Am I allowed to speak? It's Lynn Cooke. **Newkirk:** Yes, of course you are. **Cooke:** OK. It's not that I did not want to provide the statistics, it's that they weren't available. Jim [sic, James Simbro] couldn't find anything, and I also reached out to TICA. They have a vast number of them, but because of the way they do their classifications, they're not divided by breed. So, they have every breed with the same color and it was a daunting task and I couldn't get numbers. Because we just passed the lilac and tabby colors last year doing the exact same thing, and the Persians did the exact same thing two years ago, it wasn't an issue so I didn't understand the problem. Literally did the same thing last ballot, and got the chocolate and lilac tabbies passed.

Newkirk: Any other input from the board members? OK, I'll call the vote then. All those in favor, raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Currle, Roy and DelaBar voting yes. Anger abstained.

Newkirk: OK, I have Sharon Roy and Pam DelaBar. All those opposed? We have Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Pam Moser, Kathy Calhoun, Brian Moser, Steve McCullough, John Colilla, Cathy Dunham, Hayata-san, Cyndy Byrd, Rich Mastin and Howard Webster. Is there any abstentions? **Currle:** This is Kenny. I didn't get my hand up for the yes, so add me to the yes column. **Krzanowski:** This is Carol and I was a no. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Carol. Abstentions? Brian Moser and Secretary Anger. **Anger:** I have Brian as a no vote, so I think he hasn't taken his hand down, is all. **Newkirk:** Oh, OK, alright. So, the only abstention is Rachel. You can announce the vote when you're ready, Rachel. **Anger:** OK. I have 3 yes votes, 13 no votes, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** OK, great. Lynne, can you work with the Breeds and Standards Chairs to work this out, so we can bring it back next year and hopefully you will get a better outcome? **Cooke:** I'm not sure what I could do differently. There were no statistics available, so is it just not possible to do? Is that what you're saying? **Bennett:** Lynne, let's work offline and we can work with the Breed Council. They have the show catalogs. We can do this any number of ways to try to get the statistics of AOV Exotics shown and what the colors were listed in it. We'll work together with Central Office through the year if you want to propose this next year, to make sure that we have the information you need. **Cook:** OK. I tried that and there was none, but I appreciate it, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you Lynne. We appreciate it.

JAPANESE BOBTAIL

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Marianne Clark – Beaver Creek, Oregon

Total Members: 29

Ballots Received: 18

ISSUE: Some breeders have expressed a need to have more diversity in their lines based on an assumption that there is a need for more diversity in the breed as a whole. One suggestion was to open the breed to Asian cats with short tails that are genetically the same as Japanese Bobtails.

Note: Verification of the need for more diversity to be done by genetic testing.

1. Do you see the need to add Asian cats with short tails that are genetically the same as Japanese Bobtails to our gene pool? Countries acceptable would be bordering either the Sea of Japan or South China Sea. **Countries:** Borneo, Cambodia, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam. **Chinese provinces:** Dongsha Islands, Fujian, Guangdong, Hainan, Hebei Islands, Hong Kong, Jiangsu, Liaoning, Macau, Shandong, Shanghai, Tianjin, Xisha Islands, Zhejiang, Zhongshan Islands

PROS:

- A. This process could add diversity to the Japanese Bobtail breed pool for those breeders who feel they need it

CONS:

- A. The breed was accepted as Japanese Bobtail, not Asian, and some breeders do not want to change the perception of the breed, the history, or the deep ties to Japanese culture that this breed has had for over 1100 years.
- B. The gene pool from all of Japan, plus the Kurile Islands, makes a large reservoir of available cats. (According to the Japan Pet Food Association in 2018 there were almost 10 million pet cats which indicates there is probably a large population of street bobtails. There are 11 documented cat islands in Japan with street bobtails. Also, many temples and parks have feral bobtailed cats).
- C. Will the CFA Board wonder why we need to expand the gene pool again, when the registered Kuriles were recently added in 2019?
- D. Importing from Asian countries will be as difficult and expensive as importing from Japan.
- E. By using other countries of origin, some breeders feel there is a risk bringing in negative traits and health problems that the Japanese Bobtail breed has been free of to date.
- F. According to Dr. Lyons (University of Missouri), at least 30 Japanese Bobtails and 30 cats of another breed to compare would be needed for a study. A wide variety of breeders must be willing to participate.

A YES vote is to accept Asian cats

A NO vote is to not accept Asian cats.

YES: 8

NO: 10

ABSTAIN: 0

ADVISORY (fails)

Votes: 18

60% of Voting: 11

No action.

2. Would you be willing to pay for genetic testing of 3 or more Japanese Bobtails of your breeding and also help pay for cats of another breed to use for comparison?

A YES vote means I would pay and donate for another breed to be tested.

A NO vote means I would not pay

YES: 6

NO: 12

ABSTAIN: 0

ADVISORY (fails)

Votes: 18

60% of Voting: 11

No action.

LYKOI

Breed Committee Chair: Desiree Bobby

Total Members: 3

Ballots Received: 2

- 1. PROPOSED:** Change the COAT section as follows:

COAT TEXTURE: Soft and silky to the touch. Short to medium in length; undercoat is lacking; longer guard hairs cover body with coat coverage varying depending on cycle of hair.

COLOR/ROANING: ...

MASK: ...

LYKOI COLORS GENERAL: All colors and patterns, in any combination, found in felines are acceptable in the Lykoi.

Solid ~~color~~ cat express black expresses the characteristic coat ~~more~~ most dramatically and therefore is judged in its own class. Roaning on white cannot be seen and therefore solid white and bicolors are judged in a separate class. Therefore only solid colors (including

~~white) and solid colors with mink/point/sepia patterns are acceptable to be shown.~~
~~Amelanistic (roan) pattern in the coat other colors and patterns will vary in appearance~~
~~depending on color and these are judged according to their appropriate class.~~

~~AOV: All other colors and patterns (tortoiseshell, blue/cream, bicolor, etc.) All non-roan~~
~~colors. This applies to outcrosses (heterozygous Lykoi) that do not exhibit the characteristic~~
~~coat traits including sparsity and roaning.~~

RATIONALE: Seeing that all colors have gained considerably in popularity, allowing for the registration of all colors in CFA will facilitate Lykoi of all colors from around the world to be registered and exhibited in CFA.

YES: 2

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 2

60% of Voting: 2

Bennett: The next ballot which has passing items is the Lykoi breed, our miscellaneous breed. Item #1, Change the COAT section as follows: [reads]. This item passed with 2 votes, 2 was required for 60%. **Morgan:** It has more than that, I believe. They changed their AOV and they talk about their “solid colored characteristic more dramatically ...”. They are basically registering all colors in CFA. That’s a concern for me. Aren’t they looking, Jacqui, at color classes here or no? Is that just later? **Bennett:** That’s later. **Morgan:** Alright, never mind. I’ll hold my comments until later, thank you. **Newkirk:** Later is problematic because color – go ahead. **Bennett:** It’s item #2. **Newkirk:** Allene, can you scroll up to #2? **Morgan:** Darrell, I think I’m actually going to go ahead and chat about this a little more now. **Newkirk:** OK, that’s fine, that’s fine. Go ahead. **Morgan:** Here’s where my lack of support comes from, fundamentally. I believe this breed really needs to stick to its core. It’s a new breed that’s evolving still, even in other associations and certainly in CFA. I’m a big believer in doing one thing right before moving on and increasing the degree of difficulty. So, as we open up the spectrum to new colors, we then take our focus away from where we need to be on type, in my opinion. TICA, which is the first association to accept the breed, only accepts the black roan for showing, which speaks to the fact that roaning and that coloration is in many ways a breed-defining characteristic. So, when we start to vary from this, it’s a lot like saying we should accept the classic tabby Egyptian Maus. They are unarguably exquisite creatures and we all get them, but one of the defining characteristics of the Mau is that they are a spotted breed. I believe when looking at this proposal that they are talking about other colors and patterns, and blah, blah, blah, so I may be wrong on that but I think the comments are somehow pertinent, if not to this at least to the next item. **Newkirk:** Desiree, are you on? **Bobby:** Yes, I’m here. **Newkirk:** Do you want to comment on this? **Bobby:** Yes. The first item is simply the word “silky” and then some other things, but this does not speak to the colors. #2 is what would be pertinent to what Melanie was referring to, so I’m not sure. What’s the process? Do you go through everything first, or just one at a time? **Newkirk:** We do them one at a time, because they are voted on. **Bobby:** OK. Regarding TICA and the colors, actually TICA – I’m not official yet, but I’m actually joining Marion [Yates Schiff] and Lori [Yates Schiff] on that committee. The goal is to have all colors accepted into TICA, so that’s what I’m going to be helping with, with them. In LOOF, actually

LOOF accepts all colors for show and breed. Most of the other associations accept blue already – blue and black for showing. So far, LOOF is the only one that has fully accepted other colors.

Newkirk: Can you explain why the tortoiseshell, blue-cream and bi-colors were excluded from championship and relegated to AOV status? **Bobby:** The ones that were changed to AOV would just be the Lykoi that do not have roaning. Right now, with the CFA system, when you register an F1, there's nothing that indicates that this is not a cat with roaning. So, in order to confirm that that would be an F1 that does not have the roaning or the masking, we're suggesting to consider that to be AOV. No colors determine if it's AOV or not, so what the proposal is – if you can scroll down a little for me, Allene – is just to separate the colors and put the different colors into different class numbers. So black alone, yes because black does display the roaning much better than the other colors, but then add the white and bi-color into one class and then all the patterns, because the white display in one way, the colors display in another way – I'm sorry, the patterns, where all the solids – let's see, where are the solids? There should be another one.

Morgan: I thought we were still discussing #1. **Newkirk:** She was trying to talk about the different colors I had asked her about. Scroll back up to #1, Allene. So, this proposal would put the torties, the blue-creams and the bi-colors into a championship color class. Is that what you're – into a competing class within championship, once they get there. **Bobby:** Yes, yes. So, all colors would be acceptable to be in championship, but as you scroll down further, they are separated into different classes. **Newkirk:** OK. Well, we have a problem with #2, OK? Because we don't have separated color classes for miscellaneous. We don't even hang ribbons on those cats. **Bobby:** Sure. **Newkirk:** So, that's an issue. Even if you're advanced to Provisional, you get one color class by the Show Rules for the kitten, the championship and the premiership. **Bobby:** OK. Maybe that's a misunderstanding on my part. I wasn't aware when I was writing the standard that it was just how it would apply in Miscellaneous. My understanding was, this was the standard that we're working on which would apply once they reach championship. I assumed, because they are in Miscellaneous, it's kind of a working standard. **Newkirk:** Well, I know Melanie has been chair of Breeds and Standards before and maybe she can weigh in on this, but I think that almost every breed that we've taken have had one color class. They have to exhibit those cats in championship before they're broken out into individual color divisions, as you have listed there. **Bobby:** I see. OK, that's fine. I wasn't aware of that. **Morgan:** 100%.

Tartaglia: Just as a point of reference, we even indicate that the color classes are not part of the show standard. They are only in the Show Rules. **Newkirk:** Exactly, exactly. But still, you know, our Show Rules say that Miscellaneous, there is no color class. We just check that we handle them. Once they get to Provisional, they get one color class – males against females in kittens, males against females in championship, males against females in premiership – and that's the only ribbons that we hang. We don't even hang the breed ribbon, so we just hang those color ribbons. **Bobby:** OK, makes sense. **Calhoun:** I probably don't really need to comment right now because I think this has already been set aside. Desiree well knows that I am in the camp with Melanie on the fact that I don't think that the breed has the numbers to be entertaining color classes. So, that's premature. That was what my comment was.

Anger: I want to say this in the most positive way that I can. This is a great example – I'm really not being critical of the way this is written, but a perfect example showing that too much is being asked for in one proposal. Unfortunately, the coat proposal is excellent. It's right on. I would really like to see that changed, but then when you add all this other stuff, we can't break it up. So, if the part crossing off the AOV and changing that language fails, it all fails. So,

I'm very much in support of this coat texture change, but the other ones are problematic. If one fails, all will fail. I would just like to encourage everybody to take it in small bites. Thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you. That's great advice.

Bobby: Can I ask a question then? So, at what point would it be appropriate then to be asking about the other colors, to include those? Is that after it's been in championship for a year or when is the proper time? **Newkirk:** Melanie, do you want to answer that? **Morgan:** Certainly well after championship. Most breeds get themselves established first and then start to look at it, and when you have sufficient numbers to go ahead and support that. Keeping in mind, breaking it out into color classes is not necessarily always a huge benefit. It actually breaks things up in a way that takes away the focus from the type. While the breed is in its infancy, I think it's inappropriate to be looking at breaking out into classes certainly, unless you've got overwhelming numbers, which I certainly haven't seen here. **Newkirk:** Does that answer your question, Desiree? **Bobby:** Well, maybe there is some confusion on my part, on what are acceptable colors and what are color classes, then. So, maybe that's what caused this issue. When we're looking at having the tortoiseshell and blue acceptable to exhibit in Miscellaneous, what would be then the proper wording? If it's not separated in classes, how do we indicate that the different colors are what is being requested here? **Bennett:** Essentially, any color can be shown in Miscellaneous class. Is that not correct? **Newkirk:** If they have an AOV color class, that's correct. Not all breeds have an AOV color class. Here's one thing I just was reading through in Lykoi Colors – General. You've got only solid colors including white, and solid colors with mink, point, sepia patterns are acceptable to be show. I thought the bi-color was put in there. **Bobby:** Right, so when we first presented the Lykoi for miscellaneous, we put that in there. It was just solid colors, and then as some bi-colors and tabbies were found in natural mutations, we decided to also include those. So, I guess my misunderstand was, how would we be able to now add that we would like to add those other patterns now, right, versus just solid colors we requested when applying for Miscellaneous. **Newkirk:** Here's my advice, and Melanie can add to it if she wants to, or Jacqui can add to it. I would bring back next year your coat change proposal that Rachel talked about, the first part of this. Separate out Lykoi colors and then tell us what colors you want to be potentially advanced to championship, OK? Look at what you've got in the AOVs and put them into your Lykoi General color description. That should change and make things OK. **Bobby:** OK, so just color description. I didn't have to do the classes, is what you're saying. **Newkirk:** Don't do the classes, because there are no classes in Miscellaneous. There are not separate classes in Provisional. As Melanie recommended, once you get advanced to championship and you've shown enough of these cats so the board can have some data to say, OK, 20% of solids are being shown and so the solids should be a color class. **Bobby:** I see, OK. **Newkirk:** So, that's how we've worked it in the past. Melanie, do you want to add onto that? **Morgan:** No, I think that's exactly right. In this Miscellaneous period, which is so important for a breed, is exactly the time period that they can go and start to put out those numbers on different issues that they want and develop who they want to be and that identity, but definitely work with Jacqui and Teresa, and Rachel is a great resource for that. They should be able to guide you towards getting this to the point where it becomes fundamentally productive, instead of just spinning your wheels, because color classes are irrelevant. What's important is us getting to see the different colors.

Perkins: I just wondered. I know Rachel had said that she could completely get behind the coat texture change. The board can – remember that these reports and these requests by the

breeds is advisory only, and so the board can choose today, because it was pre-noticed, to change just a portion of any breed standard, so if the board wanted to take a vote only on coat texture, I believe they can. I'm not saying you want to, I'm just saying that it is optional for the board to make decisions like that. **Newkirk:** OK, so can we divide the question and separate this one proposal into two questions? **Perkins:** I believe you can do that. **Newkirk:** OK, so I'll entertain a motion to divide the question. **Eigenhauser:** I think that motion is out of order. **Newkirk:** OK, do you want to say why? **Eigenhauser:** Yes. I would like to read from the CFA constitution. *Notwithstanding the fact that breed councils shall serve the executive board in an advisory capacity, the executive board shall not alter or amend any part of the standards for any breed or add thereto without first obtaining within the prior 12 months the approval of 60% of the members* blah, blah, blah. **Newkirk:** Well, we have a unanimous vote and this is a change to their standard on coat. **Eigenhauser:** No, we are altering or amending what they voted on by splitting it in two. **Newkirk:** OK. Read your rationale again. The CFA constitution, *Notwithstanding the fact that breed councils shall serve the executive board in an advisory capacity, the executive board shall not alter or amend any part of the standards for any breed or add thereto without first obtaining within the prior 12 months the approval of 60% of the members voting of the specific breed council(s) affected.* **Newkirk:** So, you are saying that separating this out violates that in some way? **Eigenhauser:** We have traditionally held that it's an all or nothing, just like amendments to the CFA constitution. We either accept their proposal, or we do not. **Newkirk:** OK. **Eigenhauser:** They voted for it to be presented as a package. It is not for us to rewrite it for them. **Newkirk:** OK. Well, Shelly has given us her legal opinion on the constitution. **Morgan:** George is 100% correct. Shelly can overrule what we have done in the past, but for as long as I can remember, including the times I was Breeds and Standards Chair and prior to that, we have held these things as sacrosanct and said that they needed to present them as they want and we have no right to change them. **Newkirk:** OK. **DelaBar:** I was just going to say, we do not want to set a precedent of piecemealing acceptances of the standards that are presented for us today. I'm sorry, Shelly may be our parliamentarian and lawyer, but in this case I believe she is wrong. **Newkirk:** Well, I don't believe she's wrong. I think she has given us her opinion and you disagree with her opinion. As George stated, it has been precedent that we don't separate these out, so if that's the policy, that's fine. So, Jacqui and Teresa, if you guys would sort of monitor these proposals next year when they come in, and if there's a proposal that really should be divided out in two separate areas – this is a very good example of it – then you should give advice to that Breed Council Secretary that they should split that proposal into two proposals, and then that way we won't run into an issue like this. We've spent enough time on this. Is there any other comment? Let's vote on this, since we're not going to divide the question. Any other comments? Let's vote. All those in favor of Proposal #1, raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

Newkirk: I don't see anybody proposing this. Can I switch over to unanimous consent, since there's no one supporting it, Shelly? **Perkins:** Yes, you can. **Newkirk:** Thank you. OK, so is there any objection? Well, never mind. All the no votes, raise your hand. It's the reverse, can't do it. OK, Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Cyndy Byrd, Rachel Anger, John Colilla, Pam DelaBar, Carol Krzanowski, Brian Moser, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, Rich Mastin, Hayata-san, Steve McCullough, Pam Moser and Sharon Roy. And Kenny Currie. All those abstaining. I have Howard and Kenny abstaining. **Anger:** Kenny, are you a no vote or an abstention? **Currie:**

I am a no vote. **Newkirk:** Oh, OK. **Webster:** I'm a no vote, too. **Newkirk:** I just called you guys as abstentions. If I'm wrong, you need to call me out. So, Proposal #1 fails.

2. **PROPOSED:** Revise the Lykoi Color Class Numbers in order to divide colors and patterns from one another to allow for fairer judging of visible roaning.

*The following information is for reference purposes only
and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.*

Lykoi Color Class Numbers

All Colors	8700	8701
Black Roan	XXXX	XXXX
<i>[including lockets and buttons]</i>		
White/Bi-Color Roan	XXXX	XXXX
<i>[anything with more white than lockets or buttons including solid white and all bi-colors (solid roan, point and mink roans, pattern roans including tortoiseshell w/white and calicos)]</i>		
All Other Roan Colors & Patterns	XXXX	XXXX
<i>[solid roans except black or white, parti-color roans, tabby roans, pointed roans, mink roans, or any other roaned color or pattern]</i>		
AOV	XXXX	XXXX
<i>[All non-roan colors. This applies to outcrosses (heterozygous) that do not exhibit the characteristic coat traits including sparsity and roaning]</i>		

RATIONALE: Because black expresses the characteristic coat the most dramatically and all colors and patterns express the characteristic coat at different degrees, the splitting up of color classes will facilitate fair competition during the judging of classes.

YES: 2

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE/COLOR CLASS (passes)

Votes: 2

>50% of Voting: 2

Newkirk: Let's go on to Proposal #2, which I think is out of order. **Bennett:** I would agree. Proposal #2 is breaking into color classes, which is not applicable for Miscellaneous. Desiree, do you want to speak to it? **Bobby:** Proposal #2 is about the classes, right? So, if it's not appropriate to do that at this time in Miscellaneous, I 100% agree and I apologize for even putting this on there. I guess I kind of did it in the dark. **Newkirk:** Can I rule that it's out of order, Shelly? **Eigenhauser:** Can we ask her to just withdraw it? **Newkirk:** You've got other breed council members. You can't do that. Shelly put her thumb up, so I'm going to rule it out of order.

Out of Order.

3. **PROPOSED:** Revise the points associated with the coat to put more weight on the texture (density of cat) and less on the color/roaning.

COAT (45)

Texture (Density)..... ~~15~~ 20
Color/Roaning ~~15~~ 10
Mask 15

RATIONALE: Putting more weight on the thickness of the coat and degree of sparsity will allow more flexibility in the judging of colors where the contrast of roaning vs. color is less apparent.

YES: 2

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 2

60% of Voting: 2

Newkirk: Let's go on to #3. **Bennett:** Proposal #3 is modifying the point structure on the Lykoi for the coat, to put greater weight on texture and density, and less on roaning. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. Desiree, do you want to comment on this? **Bobby:** No. It's pretty clear right there what we're asking. **Newkirk:** Is there anybody that wants to comment on this? I see no hands up. Is there any objection to Proposal #3's ratification? **Calhoun:** I do have a bit of a concern on this, because roaning is one of the defining features of this cat that sets it apart from all other cats. I think part of the downgrade on the roaning may have been from the mindset that other colors – Proposal #2 accepting white and bi-color and all that, would have been accepted and where it is difficult to pick out the roaning in some of those other colors. As I said, one of the defining features in my mind is the roaning, and it's important. **Morgan:** In light of Kathy's comments, what I would like to hear from Desiree is, given the fact that we're not breaking out all these other colors at this point, does she really feel that this is necessary? **Bobby:** Actually, that is absolutely right. The reason that was changed was due to the introduction of the other colors. **Newkirk:** OK, so you won't be unhappy if we vote this down? **Bobby:** No, I'll be fine. **Newkirk:** I will call the question. All those in favor of Proposal #3, raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Failed.**

Newkirk: We have Kathy Calhoun voting yes. All those voting no, raise your hand. I have Melanie Morgan, Rachel Anger, Kenny Currle, George Eigenhauser, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Pam Moser, Cyndy Byrd, Kathy Dunham, Hayata-san, Colilla. **Calhoun:** Darrell, I was a no. I was just having problems with the touchscreen. **Newkirk:** OK. Alright, I'm going to start over because somebody took their hand down and my list shifted. So, the no votes are Rachel Anger, Kenny Currle, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Pam Moser, Cyndy Byrd, Cathy Dunham, Hayata-san, Pam DelaBar, Rich Mastin, Kathy Calhoun, Steve McCullough, Sharon Roy, Brian Moser, John Colilla, George Eigenhauser and Melanie Morgan. If you will take your hands down, are there any abstentions? I see no abstentions. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you are done. **Anger:** We have zero yes votes, 17 no votes, zero abstentions.

RAGAMUFFIN

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Laura Gregory – Lutz, Florida
Total Members: 26
Ballots Received: 20

1. **PROPOSED:** Edit/correct color list as follows, to add missing colors/patterns, correct spelling/grammatical errors, provide consistency in names of colors/patterns, provide consistency in order of colors/patterns, remove redundant verbiage:

SOLID COLORS

(All solid colors may be combined with shaded, smoke, parti, calico and bi-color & white/van patterns).

WHITE: (Blue-eyed White, Copper-eyed White, Gold-eyed White, Green-eyed White, Amber-eyed White, Aqua-eyed White, Odd-eyed White) pure glistening white. ...

RED: deep, rich, clear, brilliant red; without shading, markings or ticking. Sound to the roots. Lips ...

CREAM: ... buff cream, without markings. Sound ...

CHOCOLATE: ... sound ~~from~~ to the roots, ~~to tip of fur.~~

LILAC: ... chocolate-brown. Sound to the roots. ~~sound and even throughout.~~

CINNAMON: ... than chocolate. Sound to the roots.

FAWN: pale pinkish fawn, ~~sound throughout.~~ Sound to the roots.

SHADED COLORS

(All shaded colors may be combined with ~~Red in dominant colors and cream in recessive colors and white~~) parti, calico and & white/van patterns.

GOLDEN CHINCHILLA GOLDEN PATTERN: ... with marking color (~~black/blue~~).

GOLDEN SHADED GOLDEN PATTERN: ... with marking color (~~black/blue~~).

SILVER CHINCHILLA SILVER: ...

SILVER SHADED SILVER: ...

BLUE SILVER CHINCHILLA BLUE SILVER: ...

BLUE SILVER SHADED BLUE SILVER: ...

GOLDEN CHINCHILLA GOLDEN: ...

GOLDEN SHADED GOLDEN: ...

BLUE GOLDEN CHINCHILLA BLUE GOLDEN: ...

BLUE GOLDEN SHADED BLUE GOLDEN: ...

BLACK CHINCHILLA: Nose leather and paw pads: black.

BLACK SHADED: Nose leather and paws pads: black.

BLUE CHINCHILLA: Nose leather and paw pads: blue.

BLUE SHADED: Nose leather and paw pads: blue.

RED CHINCHILLA (Cameo): ~~SHELL CAMEO (RED CHINCHILLA):~~ ...

RED SHADED ~~SHADED CAMEO:~~ ...

CREAM CHINCHILLA (Cream Cameo) ~~SHELL CREAM (CREAM CHINCHILLA):~~
...

CREAM SHADED ~~SHADED CREAM:~~ ...

SHADED TORTOISESHELL ~~SHADED PATTERN/COLORS:~~ (Chinchilla Tortoiseshell, Shaded Tortoiseshell, Blue cream Chinchilla, Blue cream Shaded, Chinchilla Golden Tortoiseshell, Shaded Golden Tortoiseshell, Blue cream Golden, Blue cream Shaded Tortoiseshell, Shell Chocolate Tortoiseshell, Shaded Chocolate Tortoiseshell, Shell Lilac Cream, Shaded Lilac cream, Shell Cinnamon Tortoiseshell, Shaded Cinnamon Tortoiseshell, Shell Fawn Cream, Shaded Fawn Cream) (Black Tortoiseshell Chinchilla, Black Tortoiseshell Shaded, Silver Tortoiseshell Chinchilla, Silver Tortoiseshell Shaded, Blue Cream Chinchilla, Blue Cream Shaded, Blue Cream Silver Chinchilla, Blue Cream Silver Shaded, Golden Tortoiseshell Chinchilla, Golden Tortoiseshell Shaded, Blue Cream Golden Chinchilla, Blue Cream Golden Shaded, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Chinchilla, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Shaded, Lilac Cream Chinchilla, Lilac Cream Shaded, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Chinchilla, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Shaded, Fawn Cream Chinchilla, Fawn Cream Shaded).
A cat of an established chinchilla/shaded pattern/color with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. Presence of several shaded of red/cream acceptable. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

SMOKE & SHADED COLORS

(All smoke & shaded colors may be combined with tortoiseshell parti,
calico and bi-color & white/van patterns).

CAMEO SMOKE (RED SMOKE): **RED SMOKE (Cameo):** ...

CREAM SMOKE (Cream Cameo): ...

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL PATTERN/COLORS (... Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Smoke, Fawn Cream Tortoiseshell Smoke). A cat of an established smoke pattern/color with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. Presence of several shades of red/cream acceptable. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

TABBY COLORS/PATTERNS

(All tabby patterns may be classic, mackerel, spotted or ticked. All tabby patterns may also be combined with mink colors, sepia colors and all colors/pattern may be combined with white, sepia, and & white/van patterns).

BROWN TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

BLUE TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

CHOCOLATE TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

LILAC TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

RED TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

CREAM TABBY (~~classic mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

CINNAMON TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ... a pale warm honey, ~~marking~~ honey. Markings ...

FAWN TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

SILVER TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

CHOCOLATE SILVER TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ... markings a dense ~~cinnamon~~, chocolate, affording ...

BLUE SILVER TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

LILAC SILVER TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

CINNAMON SILVER TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

FAWN SILVER TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

GOLDEN TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

BLUE GOLDEN TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

CAMEO RED SILVER TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

CREAM CAMEO CREAM SILVER TABBY (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ...

PATCHED TABBY PATTERN: a patched tabby (torbie) is an established ~~silver, Golden, brown, blue, chocolate, lilac, cinnamon, fawn, blue-silver, Blue-golden, mink or sepia~~-tabby with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. ~~In dilute colors with patches of cream.~~ White buttons ...

SHELL-CAMEO TABBY: ground color, including lips and chin, ~~off-white, markings cream. Undercoat White.~~ **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

PATCHED TABBY PATTERN/COLORS (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ... Silver Patched Tabby): a cat of an established tabby color/pattern with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. White buttons and/or lockets allowed. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

PARTI COLORS

(All Parti-colors may be combined with shaded, smoke, mink, sepia and & white/van color/patterns).

BLACK TORTOISESHELL: ...

MINK PATTERN/COLORS

(All Mink colors/patterns may be combined with shaded, smoke, tabby, parti, calico, and & white/van colors/patterns).

PLATINUM MINK: ...

CINNAMON MINK: light to reddish brown points, distinctly warmer and lighter than chocolate, the color of a cinnamon stick. **Nose leather and paw pads:** tan to pinkish beige.

FAWN MINK: light lavender points with pale cocoa overtones. **Nose leather and paw pads:** pink and/or a light shade of dusty rose.

RED MINK: ...

MINK TORTOISESHELL PATTERN/COLORS (Natural Tortoiseshell Mink, Blue Cream Mink, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink, Platinum Cream Mink, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink, Fawn Cream Mink).

SHADED MINK PATTERN/COLORS (~~Chinchilla-Natural Mink Chinchilla, Shaded Natural Mink Shaded, Chinchilla Blue Mink Chinchilla, Shaded Blue Mink Shaded, Chinchilla Champagne Mink Chinchilla, Shaded Champagne Mink Shaded, Chinchilla Platinum Mink Chinchilla, Shaded Platinum Mink Shaded, Cinnamon Mink Chinchilla, Cinnamon Mink Shaded, Fawn Mink Chinchilla, Fawn Mink Shaded, Shaded-Cameo Mink, Shell-Cameo Mink, Red Chinchilla Mink, Red Shaded Mink, Shaded-Cream-Cameo Mink, Shell-Cream-Cameo Mink, Cream Chinchilla Mink, Cream Shaded Mink~~). A cat of an established mink pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded pattern.

SHADED TORTOISESHELL MINK PATTERN/COLORS (~~Chinchilla-Natural~~ Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla, ~~Shaded~~ Natural Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded, Blue Cream ~~Chinchilla-Mink~~ Chinchilla, Blue Cream ~~Shaded-Mink~~ Shaded, ~~Shell~~ Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla, ~~Shaded~~ Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded, ~~Shell~~ Platinum Cream Mink Chinchilla, ~~Shaded~~ Platinum Cream Mink Shaded, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded, Fawn Cream Mink Chinchilla, Fawn Cream Mink Shaded). ~~A cat of an established mink pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded tortoiseshell pattern.~~ **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

SMOKE MINK PATTERN/COLORS (Natural ~~Smoke-Mink~~ Smoke, Blue ~~Smoke~~ Mink Smoke, Champagne ~~Smoke~~ Mink Smoke, Platinum ~~Smoke-Mink~~ Smoke, Cinnamon Mink Smoke, Fawn Mink Smoke, ~~Cameo-Smoke~~ Red Mink Smoke, Cream ~~Smoke-Mink~~ Smoke). ~~A cat of an established mink pattern/color with smoke pattern.~~

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL MINK PATTERN/COLORS (Natural Tortoiseshell ~~Smoke~~ Mink Smoke, Blue Cream ~~Smoke-Mink~~ Smoke, Champagne Tortoiseshell ~~Smoke-Mink~~ Smoke, Platinum Cream ~~Smoke~~ Mink Smoke, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Smoke, Fawn Cream Mink Smoke). ~~A cat of an established mink pattern/color with smoke tortoiseshell pattern.~~ **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

TABBY MINK PATTERN/COLORS (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ... Platinum Mink Tabby, Cinnamon Mink Tabby, Fawn Mink Tabby, ... Platinum Patched Mink Tabby, Cinnamon Patched Mink Tabby, Fawn Patched Mink Tabby). ~~A cat of an established mink pattern/color with tabby pattern. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant colors of red in dominant colors or cream in dilute colors and nose leather and paw pads may be patched with pink.~~

SILVER TABBY MINK PATTERN/COLORS (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ... Platinum Silver Mink Tabby, Cinnamon Silver Mink Tabby, Fawn Silver Mink Tabby, ... Platinum Silver Patched Mink Tabby, Cinnamon Silver Patched Mink Tabby, Fawn Cream Silver Patched Mink Tabby). ~~A cat with ground color, including lips and chin, of pale, clear silver. Undercoat white. Markings of established tabby mink pattern/color.~~

SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS

(All Sepia colors/patterns may be combined with shaded, smoke, tabby, parti, calico, and & white/van patterns).

PLATINUM: ...

CINNAMON SEPIA: light tan/beige with light reddish brown (cinnamon) points. **Nose leather and paw pads:** tan to pinkish beige

FAWN SEPIA: pale pinkish fawn with pale lavender points. **Nose leather and paw pads:** pink or a light dusty rose.

RED SEPIA: ...

SEPIA TORTOISESHELL PATTERN COLORS (Sable Tortoiseshell, Blue Cream Sepia, Champagne Tortoiseshell, Platinum Cream, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia, Fawn Cream Sepia).

SHADED SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (Chinchilla Sable Chinchilla, Shaded Sable Shaded, Chinchilla Blue Sepia Chinchilla, Shaded Blue Sepia Shaded, Chinchilla Champagne Chinchilla, Shaded Champagne Shaded, Chinchilla Platinum Chinchilla, Shaded Platinum Shaded, Cinnamon Sepia Chinchilla, Cinnamon Sepia Shaded, Fawn Sepia Chinchilla, Fawn Sepia Shaded, Shell Cameo Sepia Red Sepia Chinchilla, Shaded Cameo Sepia Red Sepia Shaded, Shell Cream Cameo Sepia, Cream Sepia Chinchilla, Shaded Cream Cameo Sepia Cream Sepia Shaded). ~~A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded pattern.~~

SHADED TORTOISESHELL SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (Chinchilla Sable Tortoiseshell Chinchilla, Shaded Sable Tortoiseshell Shaded, Chinchilla Blue Cream Sepia Chinchilla, Shaded Blue Cream Sepia Shaded, Chinchilla Champagne Tortoiseshell Chinchilla, Shaded Champagne Tortoiseshell Shaded, Chinchilla Platinum Cream Chinchilla, Shaded Platinum Cream Shaded, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Chinchilla, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Shaded, Fawn Cream Sepia Chinchilla, Fawn Cream Sepia Shaded). ~~A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded tortoiseshell pattern.~~ **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

SMOKE SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (... Blue Smoke Sepia Smoke, ... Platinum Smoke, Cinnamon Sepia Smoke, Fawn Sepia Smoke, Cameo Smoke Sepia Red Sepia Smoke, Cream Cameo Smoke Sepia Cream Sepia Smoke). ~~A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with smoke pattern.~~

SMOKE TORTOISESHELL SEPIA PATTERN/ COLORS (... Blue Cream Smoke Sepia Smoke, ... Platinum Cream Smoke, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Smoke, Fawn Cream Sepia Smoke). ~~A cat of established mink pattern color with smoke tortoiseshell pattern.~~ **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

SEPIA TORTOISESHELL PATTERN/COLORS (Sable Tortoiseshell, Blue Cream Sepia, Champagne Tortoiseshell, Platinum Cream): ~~A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors.~~ **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

TABBY SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ... Platinum Tabby, Cinnamon Sepia Tabby, Fawn Sepia Tabby ... Platinum Patched Tabby, Cinnamon Patched Sepia Tabby, Fawn Patched Sepia Tabby). ~~A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with tabby pattern. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant cats and cream in dilute colors.~~ **Nose leather and paw pads:** May be patched with pink.

SILVER TABBY SEPIA PATTERN/COLORS (~~classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked~~): ... Platinum Silver Tabby ... Cinnamon Silver Sepia Tabby, Fawn Silver Sepia Tabby, ... Platinum Silver Patched Tabby, Cinnamon Silver Patched Sepia Tabby, Fawn Cream Silver

Patched Sepia Tabby). ~~A cat with ground color, including lips and chin, of pale clear silver. Undercoat White. Markings of established tabby sepia pattern/sepia.~~

CALICO & BI-COLOR COLORS

BI-COLOR (& WHITE): ...

VAN BI-COLOR (VAN): ...

CALICO: A tri-colored cat of unbrindled white and colored patches. The colored patches are to conform to the currently established shaded, smoke, parti, mink and sepia color descriptions. The white is pre-dominant on underparts. **Nose leather and paw pads:** conforms to the established color descriptions. May also be patched with pink.

CALICO VAN: A cat with colored patches that conforms to the currently established calico pattern, with white. Color is confined to the extremities. One or two small patches of color on the body is allowable.

Solid & White/Van

(Cats conform with their currently established color description.
The white portions conform to either the & white/van pattern descriptions).

SOLID & WHITE/VAN: (Black & White, Black Van, Blue & White, Blue Van, Red & White, Red Van, Cream & White, Cream Van, Chocolate & White, Chocolate Van, Lilac & White, Lilac Van, Cinnamon & White, Cinnamon Van, Fawn & White, Fawn Van). ~~A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established solid description. Any amount of which is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.~~

~~**SOLID & WHITE VAN** (Black & White Van, Blue & White Van, Red & White Van, Cream & White van, Chocolate & White Van, Lilac & White van, Cinnamon & White van & Fawn & White Van). A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established solid color description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.~~

Shaded & White/Van

(Cats conform with their established color description(s), and shaded/chinchilla pattern descriptions. The white portions conform to either the & white/van pattern descriptions).

CHINCHILLA & WHITE/VAN (Black Chinchilla & White, Black Chinchilla Van, ~~Chinchilla~~ Silver Chinchilla & White, Silver Chinchilla Van, Blue Chinchilla & White, Blue Chinchilla Van, Blue ~~Chinchilla~~ Silver Chinchilla & White, Blue Silver Chinchilla Van, ~~Chinchilla~~ Golden Chinchilla & White, Golden Chinchilla Van, Blue ~~Chinchilla~~, Golden Chinchilla & White, Blue Golden Chinchilla Van, ~~Shell Cameo~~ Red Chinchilla & White (Red

Chinchilla), Red Chinchilla Van, Shell Cream Cream Chinchilla & White (Cream Chinchilla), Cream Chinchilla Van, Chocolate Chinchilla & White, Chocolate Chinchilla Van, Lilac Chinchilla & White, Lilac Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Chinchilla & White, Cinnamon Chinchilla Van, Fawn Chinchilla & White, Fawn Chinchilla Van). A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established chinchilla color description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~CHINCHILLA & WHITE VAN~~ (~~Chinchilla Silver & White Van, Blue Chinchilla Silver & White Van, Chinchilla Golden & White Van, Blue Chinchilla Golden & White Van, Shell Cameo & White Van (Red Chinchilla), Shell Cream & White Van (Cream Chinchilla), Chocolate Chinchilla & White Van, Lilac Chinchilla & White Van, Cinnamon Chinchilla & White Van, Fawn Chinchilla & White Van~~): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established chinchilla color description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

~~SHADED & WHITE/VAN~~ (~~Black Shaded & White, Black Shaded Van, Shaded Silver Shaded & White, Silver Shaded Van, Blue Shaded & White, Blue Shaded Van, Blue Shaded Silver Shaded & White, Blue Silver Shaded Van, Shaded Golden Shaded & White, Golden Shaded Van, Shaded-Blue Golden Shaded & White, Blue Golden Shaded Van, Shaded Cameo Red Shaded & White, Red Shaded Van, Shaded-Cream Shaded & White, Cream Shaded Van, Shaded-Chocolate Shaded & White, Chocolate Shaded Van, Shaded-Lilac Shaded & White, Lilac Shaded Van, Shaded-Cinnamon Shaded & White, Cinnamon Shaded Van, Shaded-Fawn Shaded & White, Fawn Shaded Van~~). A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded color description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~SHADED & WHITE VAN~~ (~~Shaded Silver & White Van, Blue Shaded Silver & White Van, Shaded Golden & White Van, Shaded Blue Golden & White Van, Shaded Cameo & White Van, Shaded Cream & White Van, Shaded Chocolate & White Van, Shaded Lilac & White Van, Shaded Cinnamon & White Van, Shaded Fawn & White Van~~): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded color description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

~~SHELL TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/CALICO~~ (~~Shell Tortoiseshell & White, Shell Calico, Shell Blue Cream & White, Shell Dilute Calico, Shell Golden Tortoiseshell & White, Shell Golden Calico, Shell Blue Cream Golden & White, Shell Dilute Golden Calico, Shell Chocolate Tortoiseshell & White, Shell Chocolate Calico, Shell Lilac Cream & White, Shell Lilac Dilute Calico, Shell Cinnamon Tortoiseshell & White, Shell Cinnamon Tortoiseshell & White, Shell Cinnamon Calico, Shell Fawn Cream & White, Shell Fawn Calico~~). A tri-colored cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the

currently established Shell, tortoiseshell, and calico descriptions. Any amount of White is acceptable for tortoiseshells with no particular preference given to any pattern. Calicos must have white predominant on underparts. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

TORTOISESHELL CHINCHILLA & WHITE/VAN, CALICO CHINCHILLA/VAN

(Black Tortoiseshell Chinchilla & White, Black Tortoiseshell Chinchilla Van, Calico Chinchilla, Calico Chinchilla Van, Blue Cream Chinchilla & White, Blue Cream Chinchilla Van, Dilute Calico Chinchilla, Dilute Calico Chinchilla Van, Silver Tortoiseshell Chinchilla & White, Silver Tortoiseshell Chinchilla Van, Silver Calico Chinchilla, Silver Calico Van, Blue Silver Tortoiseshell Chinchilla & White, Blue Silver Tortoiseshell Van, Blue Silver Calico Chinchilla, Blue Silver Calico Van, Golden Tortoiseshell Chinchilla & White, Golden Tortoiseshell Chinchilla Van, Golden Calico Chinchilla, Golden Calico Chinchilla Van, Blue Cream Golden Chinchilla & White, Blue Cream Golden Chinchilla Van, Dilute Golden Calico Chinchilla, Dilute Golden Calico Chinchilla Van, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Chinchilla & White, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Chinchilla Van, Chocolate Calico Chinchilla, Chocolate Calico Chinchilla Van, Lilac Cream Chinchilla & White, Lilac Cream Chinchilla Van, Lilac Calico Chinchilla, Lilac Calico Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Chinchilla & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Calico Chinchilla, Cinnamon Calico Chinchilla Van, Fawn Cream Chinchilla & White, Fawn Cream Chinchilla Van, Fawn Calico Chinchilla, Fawn Calico Chinchilla Van).

~~SHELL TORTOISESHELL & WHITE VAN/CALICO VAN~~ (Shell Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shell Calico Van, Shell Blue Cream & White Van, Shell Dilute Calico Van, Shell Golden Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shell Golden Calico Van, Shell Blue Cream Golden Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shell Dilute Golden Calico Van, Shell Chocolate Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shell Chocolate Calico Van, Shell Lilac Cream & White Van, Shell Lilac Dilute Calico Van, Shell Cinnamon Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shell Cinnamon Calico Van, Shell Fawn cream & White Van, Shell Fawn Dilute Calico Van): A tri-colored cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the currently established Shell, tortoiseshell, and calico color descriptions. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

~~SHADED TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/CALICO~~ (Shaded Tortoiseshell, Shaded Calico, Shaded Blue Cream & White, Shaded Dilute Calico, Shaded Golden Tortoiseshell & White, Shaded Golden Calico, Shaded Blue Cream Golden & White, Shaded Dilute Golden Calico, Shaded Chocolate Tortoiseshell & White, Shaded Chocolate Calico, Shaded Lilac Cream & White, Shaded Lilac Dilute Calico, Shaded Cinnamon Tortoiseshell & White, Shaded Cinnamon Calico, Shaded Fawn Cream & White, Shaded Fawn Dilute Calico): A tri-colored cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the currently established shaded, tortoiseshell, and calico color descriptions. Any amount of White is acceptable for tortoiseshells with no particular preference given to any pattern. Calicos must have white predominant on underparts. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

TORTOISESHELL SHADED & WHITE/VAN, CALICO SHADED/VAN (Black Tortoiseshell Shaded & White, Black Tortoiseshell Shaded Van, Calico Shaded, Calico Shaded Van, Blue Cream Shaded & White, Blue Cream Shaded Van, Dilute Calico Shaded, Dilute Calico Shaded Van, Silver Tortoiseshell Shaded & White, Silver Tortoiseshell Shaded Van, Silver Calico Shaded, Silver Calico Shaded Van, Golden Tortoiseshell Shaded & White, Golden Tortoiseshell Shaded Van, Golden Calico Shaded, Golden Calico Shaded Van, Blue Cream Golden Shaded & White, Blue Cream Golden Shaded Van, Dilute Golden Calico Shaded, Dilute Golden Calico Shaded Van, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Shaded & White, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Shaded Van, Chocolate Calico Shaded, Chocolate Calico Shaded Van, Lilac Cream Shaded & White, Lilac Cream Shaded Van, Lilac Calico Shaded, Lilac Calico Shaded Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Shaded & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Shaded Van, Cinnamon Calico Shaded, Cinnamon Calico Shaded Van, Fawn Cream Shaded & White, Fawn Cream Shaded Van, Fawn Calico Shaded, Fawn Calico Shaded Van.

~~**SHADED TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/CALICO VAN**~~ (Shaded Tortoiseshell Van, Shaded Calico Van, Shaded Blue Cream & White Van, Shaded Dilute Calico Van, Shaded Golden Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shaded Golden Calico Van, Shaded Blue Cream Golden & White Van, Shaded Dilute Golden Calico Van, Shaded Chocolate Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shaded Chocolate Calico Van, Shaded Lilac Cream & White Van, Shaded Lilac Dilute Calico Van, Shaded Cinnamon Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shaded Cinnamon Calico Van, Shaded Fawn Cream & White Van, Shaded Fawn Dilute Calico Van): A tri-colored cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the currently established shaded, tortoiseshell, and calico color descriptions. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

Smoke & White/Van

(Cats conform with their currently established color description(s), and the smoke pattern description. The white portions conform to either the & white/van pattern descriptions.

SMOKE & WHITE (Black Smoke & White, Black Smoke Van, Blue Smoke & White, Blue Smoke Van, Cameo Red Smoke & White, Red Smoke Van, Cream Smoke & White, Cream Smoke Van, Chocolate Smoke & White, Chocolate Smoke Van, Lilac Smoke & White, Lilac Smoke Van, Cinnamon Smoke & White, Cinnamon Smoke Van, Fawn Smoke & White, Fawn Smoke Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established smoke color description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~**SMOKE & WHITE VAN**~~ (Black Smoke & White Van, Blue Smoke & White Van, Cameo Smoke & White Van, Cream Smoke & White Van, Chocolate Smoke & White Van, Lilac Smoke & White Van, Cinnamon Smoke & White Van, Fawn Smoke & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established smoke color description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on the body allowable.

TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/CALICO SMOKE & WHITE/VAN, CALICO SMOKE/VAN

(Black Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Black Tortoiseshell Smoke Van, Calico Smoke, Calico Smoke Van, Blue Cream Smoke & White, Blue Cream Smoke Van, Dilute Calico Smoke, Dilute Calico Smoke Van, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Smoke Van, Chocolate Calico Smoke, Chocolate Calico Smoke Van, Lilac Cream Smoke & White, Lilac Cream Smoke Van, Lilac Dilute Calico Smoke, Lilac Calico Smoke Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Smoke Van, Cinnamon Calico Smoke, Cinnamon Calico Smoke Van, Fawn Cream Smoke & White, Fawn Cream Smoke & White Van, Fawn Dilute Calico Smoke, Fawn Calico Smoke Van). A tri-colored cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the currently established smoke, tortoiseshell, and calico color descriptions. Any amount of White is acceptable for tortoiseshells with no particular preference given to any pattern. Calicos must have white predominant on underparts. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button).

~~**TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/CALICO SMOKE VAN**~~ (~~Black Tortoiseshell Smoke & White Van, Calico Smoke Van, Blue Cream Smoke & White Van, Dilute Calico Smoke Van, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Smoke & White Van, Chocolate Calico Smoke Van, Lilac Cream Smoke & White Van, Lilac Dilute Calico Smoke Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Smoke & White Van, Cinnamon Calico Smoke Van, Fawn Cream Smoke & White van, Fawn Dilute Calico Smoke Van~~): A tri-colored cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the currently established smoke, tortoiseshell, and calico color descriptions. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

Tabby & White/Van

(All tabby patterns may be combined with parti, mink, sepia and & white/van patterns).

TABBY & WHITE/VAN (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*): (Brown Tabby & White, Brown Tabby Van, Blue Tabby & White, Blue Tabby Van, Red Tabby & White, Red Tabby Van, Cream Tabby & White, Cream Tabby Van, Chocolate Tabby & White, Chocolate Tabby Van, Lilac Tabby & White, Lilac Tabby Van, Cinnamon Tabby & White, Cinnamon Tabby Van, Fawn Tabby & White, Fawn Tabby Van, Silver Tabby & White, Silver Tabby Van, Blue Silver Tabby & White, Blue Silver Tabby Van, Golden Tabby & White, Golden Tabby Van, Blue Golden Tabby & White, Blue Golden Tabby Van, ~~Cameo Red Silver Tabby & White, Red Silver Tabby Van, Cream Cameo Silver Tabby & White, Cream Silver Tabby Van, Chocolate Silver Tabby & White, Chocolate Silver Tabby Van, Lilac Silver Tabby & White, Lilac Silver Tabby Van, Cinnamon Silver Tabby & White, Cinnamon Silver Tabby Van, Fawn Silver Tabby & White, Fawn Silver Tabby Van~~): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established tabby color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color class with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~TABBY & WHITE VAN~~ (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*) (~~Brown tabby & White Van, Blue Tabby & White Van, Red Tabby & White Van, Cream Tabby & White Van, Chocolate Tabby & White Van, Lilac Tabby & White Van, Cinnamon Tabby & White Van, Fawn Tabby & White Van, Silver Tabby & White Van, Blue Silver Tabby & White Van, Golden Tabby & White Van, Blue Golden Tabby & White Van, Cameo Tabby & White Van, Cream Cameo Tabby & White Van, Chocolate Silver Tabby & White Van, Lilac Silver Tabby & White Van, Cinnamon Silver Tabby & White Van, Fawn Silver Tabby & White Van~~): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

PATCHED TABBY & WHITE/VAN (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*): (Brown Patched Tabby & White, Brown Patched Tabby Van, Blue Patched Tabby & White, Blue Patched Tabby Van, Chocolate Patched Tabby & White, Chocolate Patched Tabby Van, Lilac Patched Tabby & White, Lilac Patched Tabby Van, Cinnamon Patched Tabby & White, Cinnamon Patched Tabby Van, Fawn Patched Tabby & White, Fawn Patched Tabby Van, Silver Patched Tabby & White, Silver Patched Tabby Van, Blue Silver Patched Tabby & White, Blue Silver Patched Tabby Van, Golden Patched Tabby & White, Golden Patched Tabby Van, Blue Golden Patched Tabby & White, Blue Golden Patched Tabby Van, Chocolate Silver Patched Tabby & White, Chocolate Silver Patched Tabby Van, Lilac Silver Patched Tabby & White, Lilac Silver Patched Tabby Van, Cinnamon Silver Patched Tabby & White, Cinnamon Silver Patched Tabby Van, Fawn Silver Patched Tabby & White, Fawn Silver Patched Tabby Van). A cat of an established tabby color/pattern with patches of red in colors and cream in dilute colors. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~PATCHED TABBY & WHITE VAN~~ (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*) (~~Brown Patched Tabby & White Van, Blue Patched Tabby & White Van, Chocolate Patched Tabby & White Van, Lilac Patched Tabby & White Van, Cinnamon Patched Tabby & White Van, Fawn Patched Tabby & White Van, Silver Patched Tabby & White Van, Blue Silver Patched Tabby & White Van, Golden Patched Tabby & White Van, Blue Golden Patched Tabby & White Van, Chocolate Silver Patched Tabby & White Van, Lilac Silver Patched Tabby & White Van, Cinnamon Silver Patched Tabby & White Van, Fawn Silver Patched Tabby & White Van~~): A cat of an established tabby color/pattern with patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

Parti-Color & White/Van/Calico/Calico Van

(Cats conform to the previously established parti/calico color/pattern descriptions. May be combined with shaded, smoke, mink, sepia and & white/van patterns).

CALICO: White with unbrindled patches of black and red. White predominant on underparts. **Nose leather and paw pads:** black, may be patched with pink.

~~DILUTE CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of blue and cream. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** blue, may be patched with pink.

~~CHOCOLATE CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of chocolate brown and red. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** brown or brick red, may be patched with pink.

~~LILAC CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of lavender and cream. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** lavender pink, may be patched with pink.

~~CINNAMON CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of light reddish brown (cinnamon) and red. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** cinnamon, may be patched with pink.

~~FAWN CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of light lavender with pale cocoa overtones and cream. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** light dusty rose pink.

CALICO/CALICO VAN (Calico, Calico Van, Dilute Calico, Dilute Calico Van, Chocolate Calico, Chocolate Calico Van, Lilac Calico, Lilac Calico Van, Cinnamon Calico, Cinnamon Calico Van, Fawn Calico, Fawn Calico Van).

PARTI COLOR & WHITE/VAN (Black Tortoiseshell & White, Black Tortoiseshell Van, Blue Cream & White, Blue Cream Van, Chocolate Tortoiseshell & White, Chocolate Tortoiseshell Van, Lilac Cream & White, Lilac Cream Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Van, Fawn Cream & White, Fawn Cream Van). A tri-colored cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions of the cat to conform to the currently established parti-color descriptions. Any amount of White is acceptable for tortoiseshells with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

Mink & White/Van Pattern/Colors

(All mink colors/patterns may be combined with shaded, smoke, tabby, parti, calico, and & white/van patterns).

MINK & WHITE/VAN-PATTERN/COLORS (Natural Mink & White, Natural Mink Van, Blue Mink & White, Blue Mink Van, Champagne Mink & White, Champagne Mink Van, Platinum Mink & White, Platinum Mink Van, Cinnamon Mink & White, Cinnamon Mink Van, Fawn Mink & White, Fawn Mink Van, Red Mink & White, Red Mink Van, Cream Mink & White, Cream Mink Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established mink color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS~~ (Natural Mink & White Van, Blue Mink & White Van, Champagne Mink & White Van, Platinum Mink & White Van, Red Mink & White Van, Cream Mink & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established mink color/pattern description. Color confined to the extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE/VAN, CALICO MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Natural Calico Mink, Natural Tortoiseshell Mink Van, Natural Calico Mink Van, Blue Cream Mink & White, Dilute Calico Mink, Blue Cream Mink Van, Dilute Calico Mink Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Champagne Calico Mink, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Van, Champagne Calico Mink Van, Platinum Cream Mink & White, Platinum Calico Mink, Platinum Cream Mink Van, Platinum Calico Mink Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Cinnamon Calico Mink, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Van, Cinnamon Calico Mink Van, Fawn Cream Mink & White, Fawn Calico Mink, Fawn Cream Mink Van, Fawn Calico Mink Van).

CHINCHILLA/SHADED MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Chinchilla Natural Mink Chinchilla & White, Natural Mink Chinchilla Van, ~~Shaded Natural Mink Shaded & White~~, Natural Mink Shaded Van, ~~Chinchilla Blue Mink Chinchilla~~ & White, Blue Mink Chinchilla Van, ~~Shaded-Blue Mink Shaded & White~~, Blue Mink Shaded Van, ~~Chinchilla Champagne Mink Chinchilla~~ & White, Champagne Mink Chinchilla Van, ~~Shaded Champagne Mink Shaded & White~~, Champagne Mink Shaded Van, ~~Chinchilla Platinum Mink Chinchilla~~ & White, Platinum Mink Chinchilla Van, ~~Shaded~~, Platinum Mink Shaded & White, Platinum Mink Shaded Van, Cinnamon Mink Chinchilla & White, Cinnamon Mink Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Mink Shaded & White, Cinnamon Mink Shaded Van, Fawn Mink Chinchilla & White, Fawn Mink Chinchilla Van, Fawn Mink Shaded & White, Fawn Mink Shaded Van, ~~Shaded Cameo Mink Red Mink Chinchilla~~ & White, Red Mink Chinchilla Van, ~~Shell Cameo Mink Red Mink Shaded & White~~, Red Mink Shaded Van, ~~Shaded-Cream Cameo Mink Cream Mink Chinchilla~~ & White, Cream Mink Chinchilla Van, ~~Shell Cream Cameo Mink Cream Mink Shaded & White~~, Cream Mink Shaded Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded mink color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

SHADED MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Chinchilla Natural Mink & White Van, Shaded Natural Mink & White Van, Chinchilla Blue Mink & White Van, Shaded Blue Mink & White Van, Chinchilla Champagne Mink & White, Shaded Champagne Mink & White Van, Chinchilla Platinum Mink & White Van, Shaded Platinum Mink & White Van, Shaded Cameo Mink & White, Shell Cameo Mink & White, Shaded Cream Cameo Mink & White Van, Shell Cream Cameo & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded mink color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

~~SHADED TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS~~ (Chinchilla Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Shaded Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Blue Cream Chinchilla Mink & White, Blue Cream Shaded Mink & White, Shell Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Shaded Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Shell Platinum Cream Mink & White, Shaded Platinum Cream Mink & White). A cat of colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded tortoiseshell mink color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

TORTOISESHELL MINK CHINCHILLA & WHITE/VAN, CALICO MINK CHINCHILLA VAN (Natural Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla & White, Natural Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla Van, Natural Calico Mink Chinchilla, Natural Calico Mink Chinchilla Van, Blue Cream Mink Chinchilla & White, Blue Cream Mink Chinchilla Van, Dilute Calico Mink Chinchilla, Dilute Calico Mink Chinchilla Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla Van, Champagne Calico Mink Chinchilla, Champagne Calico Mink Chinchilla Van, Platinum Cream Mink Chinchilla & White, Platinum Cream Mink Chinchilla Van, Platinum Calico Mink Chinchilla, Platinum Calico Mink Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Calico Mink Chinchilla, Cinnamon Calico Mink Chinchilla Van, Fawn Cream Mink Chinchilla & White, Fawn Cream Mink Chinchilla Van, Fawn Calico Mink Chinchilla, Fawn Calico Mink Chinchilla Van).

TORTOISESHELL MINK SHADED & WHITE/VAN, CALICO MINK SHADED VAN (Natural Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded & White, Natural Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded Van, Natural Calico Mink Shaded, Natural Calico Mink Shaded Van, Blue Cream Mink Shaded & White, Blue Cream Mink Shaded Van, Dilute Calico Mink Shaded, Dilute Calico Mink Shaded Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded Van, Champagne Calico Mink Shaded, Champagne Calico Mink Shaded Van, Platinum Cream Mink Shaded & White, Platinum Cream Mink Shaded Van, Platinum Calico Mink Shaded, Platinum Calico Mink Shaded Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Shaded Van, Cinnamon Calico Mink Shaded, Cinnamon Calico Mink Shaded Van, Fawn Cream Mink Shaded & White, Fawn Cream Mink Shaded Van, Fawn Calico Mink Shaded, Fawn Calico Mink Shaded Van).

~~SHADED TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS~~ (Chinchilla Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White Van, Shaded Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Blue Cream Chinchilla Mink & White, Blue Cream Shaded Mink & White, Shell Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Shaded Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Shell Platinum Cream Mink & White, Shaded Platinum Cream Mink & White): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded tortoiseshell mink color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~SHADED TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS~~

~~(Chinchilla Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White Van, Shaded Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White Van, Blue Cream Chinchilla Mink & White Van, Blue Cream Shaded Mink & White Van, Shell Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Shaded Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White Van, Shell Platinum Cream Mink & White Van, Shaded Platinum Cream Mink & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded tortoiseshell mink color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.~~

SMOKE MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Natural Smoke Mink Smoke & White, Natural Mink Smoke Van, Blue Smoke Mink Smoke & White, Blue Mink Smoke Van, Champagne Smoke Mink Smoke & White, Champagne Mink Smoke Van, Platinum Smoke Mink Smoke & White, Platinum Mink Smoke Van, Cinnamon Mink Smoke & White, Cinnamon Mink Smoke Van, Fawn Mink Smoke & White, Fawn Mink Smoke Van, Cameo Smoke Mink Red Mink Smoke & White, Red Mink Smoke Van, Cream Smoke Mink Smoke & White, Cream Mink Smoke Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established smoke mink color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~SMOKE MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS~~ (Natural Smoke Mink & White Van, Blue Smoke Mink & White Van, Champagne Smoke Mink & White Van, Platinum Smoke Mink & White Van, Cameo Smoke Mink & White Van, Cream Smoke Mink & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established smoke mink color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

~~MINK TORTOISESHELL & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS~~ (Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Blue Cream Mink & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Platinum Cream Mink & White): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established mink tortoiseshell color/pattern description. Any amount of white is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~MINK TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS~~ (Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White Van, Blue Cream Mink & White Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink & White Van, Platinum Cream Mink & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established mink tortoiseshell color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

TORTOISESHELL MINK SMOKE & WHITE/VAN, CALICO MINK SMOKE VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Natural Tortoiseshell Mink Smoke & White, Natural Tortoiseshell Mink Smoke Van, Natural Calico Mink Smoke, Natural Calico Mink Smoke Van, Blue Cream Mink Smoke & White, Blue Cream Mink Smoke Van, Dilute Calico Mink Smoke,

Dilute Calico Mink Smoke Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Smoke & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell Mink Smoke Van, Champagne Calico Mink Smoke, Champagne Calico Mink Smoke Van, Platinum Cream Mink Smoke & White, Platinum Cream Mink Smoke Van, Platinum Calico Mink Smoke, Platinum Calico Mink Smoke Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Smoke & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Mink Smoke Van, Cinnamon Calico Mink Smoke, Cinnamon Calico Mink Smoke Van, Fawn Cream Mink Smoke & White, Fawn Cream Mink Smoke Van, Fawn Calico Mink Smoke, Fawn Calico Mink Smoke Van).

~~SMOKE TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS~~ (Natural Tortoiseshell Smoke Mink & White, Blue Cream Smoke Mink & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell Smoke Mink & White, Platinum Cream Smoke Mink & White): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established mink tortoiseshell smoke color/pattern description. Any amount of white is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~SMOKE TORTOISESHELL MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN COLORS~~ (Natural Tortoiseshell Smoke Mink & White Van, Blue Cream Smoke Mink & White Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Smoke Mink & White Van, Platinum Cream Smoke Mink & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established mink tortoiseshell color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

~~NATURAL CALICO MINK:~~ white with unbrindled patches of medium brown and red with white, red and/or dark brown points. Ruddy highlights acceptable. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather:~~** dark brown, may be patched with pink. **~~Paw pads:~~** medium to dark brown, may have a rosy undertone, and may be patched with pink.

~~DILUTE CALICO MINK:~~ white with unbrindled patches of soft blue-gray and cream with warm overtones with white, cream color and/or slate blue points. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather:~~** blue-gray, may be patched with pink. **~~Paw pads:~~** blue-gray, may have a rosy undertone, and may be patched with pink.

~~CHAMPAGNE CALICO MINK:~~ white with unbrindled patches of buff-cream to beige and red, with white, red and/or medium brown points. Reddish highlights acceptable. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather:~~** cinnamon-brown, may be patched with pink. **~~Paw pads:~~** cinnamon-pink to cinnamon-brown, may be patched with pink.

~~PLATINUM CALICO MINK:~~ white with unbrindled patches of pale, silvery gray and cream with warm overtones with white, cream and/or frosty gray points. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather:~~** lavender-pink to lavender-gray, may be patched with pink. **~~Paw pads:~~** lavender-pink, may be patched with pink.

TABBY MINK & WHITE/VAN, PATCHED TABBY MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*): (Natural Mink Tabby & White,

Natural Mink Tabby Van, Natural Patched Mink Tabby & White, Natural Patched Mink Tabby Van, Blue Mink Tabby & White, Blue Mink Tabby Van, Blue Patched Mink Tabby & White, Blue Patched Mink Tabby Van, Champagne Mink Tabby & White, Champagne Mink Tabby Van, Champagne Patched Mink Tabby & White, Champagne Patched Mink Tabby Van, Platinum Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Mink Tabby Van, Platinum Patched Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Patched Mink Tabby Van, Cinnamon Mink Tabby & White, Cinnamon Mink Tabby Van, Cinnamon Patched Mink Tabby & White, Cinnamon Patched Mink Tabby Van, Fawn Mink Tabby & White, Fawn Mink Tabby Van, Fawn Patched Mink Tabby & White, Fawn Patched Mink Tabby Van, Red Mink Tabby & White, Red Mink Tabby Van, Cream Mink Tabby & White, Cream Mink Tabby Van).

SILVER TABBY MINK & WHITE/VAN, SILVER PATCHED TABBY MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*):-

(Natural Silver Mink Tabby & White, Natural Silver Mink Tabby Van, Natural Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Natural Silver Patched Mink Tabby Van, Blue Silver Mink Tabby & White, Blue Silver Mink Tabby Van, Blue Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Blue Silver Patched Mink Tabby Van, Champagne Silver Mink Tabby & White, Champagne Silver Mink Tabby Van, Champagne Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Champagne Silver Patched Mink Tabby Van, Platinum Silver Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Silver Mink Tabby Van, Platinum Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Silver Patched Mink Tabby Van, Cinnamon Silver Mink Tabby & White, Cinnamon Silver Mink Tabby Van, Cinnamon Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Cinnamon Silver Patched Mink Tabby Van, Fawn Silver Mink Tabby & White, Fawn Silver Mink Tabby Van, Fawn Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Fawn Silver Patched Mink Tabby Van, Red Silver Mink Tabby & White, Red Silver Mink Tabby Van, Cream Silver Mink Tabby & White, Cream Silver Mink Tabby Van).

TABBY MINK & WHITE PATTERN COLORS (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*)

(Natural Mink Tabby & White, Blue Mink Tabby & White, Champagne Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Mink Tabby & White, Red Mink Tabby & White, Cream Mink Tabby & White, Natural Patched Mink Tabby & White, Blue Patched Mink Tabby & White, Champagne Patched Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Patched Mink Tabby & White): A cat of an established mink pattern/color with tabby pattern. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant colors or cream in dilute colors. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

TABBY MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN COLORS (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*)

(Natural Mink Tabby & White Van, Blue Mink Tabby & White Van, Champagne Mink Tabby & White Van, Platinum Mink Tabby & White Van, Red Mink Tabby & White Van, Cream Mink Tabby & White Van, Natural Patched Mink Tabby & White Van, Blue Patched Mink Tabby & White Van, Champagne Patched Mink Tabby & White Van, Platinum Patched Mink Tabby & White Van): A cat of an established mink color/pattern with tabby pattern. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant colors or cream in dilute colors. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

SILVER TABBY MINK & WHITE PATTERN COLORS (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*) (Natural Silver Mink Tabby & White, Blue Silver Mink Tabby & White, Champagne Silver Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Silver Mink Tabby & White, Red Silver Mink Tabby & White, Cream Silver Mink Tabby & White, Natural Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Blue Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Champagne Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White): A cat of an established mink tabby pattern/color. Patched cats will have red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

SILVER TABBY MINK & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*) (Natural Silver Mink Tabby & White Van, Blue Silver Mink Tabby & White Van, Champagne Silver Mink Tabby & White, Platinum Silver Mink Tabby & White Van, Red Silver Mink Tabby & White Van, Cream Silver Mink Tabby & White Van, Natural Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White Van, Blue Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White Van, Champagne Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White Van, Platinum Silver Patched Mink Tabby & White Van): A cat of an established mink tabby pattern/color. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant colors and cream in dilute colors. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

Sepia & White/Van Pattern/Colors

(All sepia colors/patterns may be combined with shaded, smoke, tabby, parti, calico, and & white/van patterns).

SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Sable & White, Sable & White Van, Blue Sepia & White, Blue Sepia & White Van, Champagne & White, Champagne & White Van, Platinum & White, Platinum & White Van, Cinnamon Sepia & White, Cinnamon Sepia Van, Fawn Sepia & White, Fawn Sepia Van). A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established sepia color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Sable & White Van, Blue Sepia & White Van, Champagne & White Van, Platinum & White Van). A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established sepia color/pattern description. Color confined to the extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

TORTOISESHELL SEPIA & WHITE/VAN, CALICO MINK VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Sable Tortoiseshell & White, Sable Calico, Sable Tortoiseshell Van, Sable Calico Van, Blue Cream Sepia & White, Dilute Calico Sepia, Blue Cream Sepia Van, Dilute Calico Sepia Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell & White, Champagne Calico, Champagne Tortoiseshell

Van, Champagne Calico Van, Platinum Cream & White, Platinum Calico, Platinum Cream Van, Platinum Calico Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia & White, Cinnamon Calico Sepia, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Van, Cinnamon Calico Sepia Van, Fawn Cream Sepia & White, Fawn Cream Sepia Van, Fawn Calico Sepia, Fawn Calico Sepia Van).

~~SEPIA TORTOISESHELL & WHITE PATTERN/COLOR~~ (Sable Tortoiseshell & White, Blue Cream & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell & White, Platinum Cream & White): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established sepia tortoiseshell color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~SEPIA TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/VAN PATTERN COLOR~~ (Sable Tortoiseshell & White Van, Blue Cream Sepia & White Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell & White Van, Platinum Cream & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established sepia tortoiseshell color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

~~SABLE CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of sable brown and red with white, red and/or dark brown points. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather:~~** dark brown, may be patched with pink. **~~Paw pads:~~** medium to dark brown, may have rosy undertone and may be patched with pink.

~~BLUE CALICO SEPIA:~~ white with unbrindled patches of slate blue and cream with warm undertones and with white, cream and/or slate blue points. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather:~~** slate gray, may be patched with pink. **~~Paw pads:~~** blue-gray, may have rosy undertone and may be patched with pink.

~~CHAMPAGNE CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of Golden tan to light coffee brown and red with white and/or medium brown points. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather:~~** cinnamon brown, may be patched with pink. **~~Paw pads:~~** cinnamon-pink to cinnamon brown, may be patched with pink.

~~PLATINUM CALICO:~~ white with unbrindled patches of dove gray and cream with white, cream and/or frosty gray points. White predominant on underparts. **~~Nose leather and paw pads:~~** lavender-pink, may be patched with pink.

CHINCHILLA/SHADED SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Chinchilla Sable Chinchilla & White, Sable Chinchilla Van, Shaded Sable Shaded & White, Sable Shaded Van, Chinchilla Blue Sepia Chinchilla & White, Blue Sepia Chinchilla Van, Shaded Blue Sepia Shaded & White, Blue Sepia Shaded Van, Chinchilla Champagne Chinchilla & White, Champagne Chinchilla Van, Shaded-Champagne Chinchilla & White, Champagne Shaded Van, Chinchilla-Platinum Chinchilla & White, Platinum Chinchilla Van, Shaded Platinum Shaded & White, Platinum Shaded Van, Cinnamon Sepia Chinchilla & White, Cinnamon Sepia Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Sepia Shaded & White, Cinnamon Sepia Shaded Van, Fawn Sepia Chinchilla & White, Fawn Sepia Chinchilla Van, Fawn Sepia Shaded &

White, Fawn Sepia Shaded Van, Shell Cameo Sepia Red Sepia Chinchilla & White, Red Sepia Chinchilla Van, Shaded Cameo Sepia Red Sepia Shaded & White, Red Sepia Shaded Van, Shell Cream Cameo Sepia Cream Sepia Chinchilla & White, Cream Sepia Chinchilla Van, Shaded Cream Cameo Sepia Cream Sepia Shaded & White, Cream Sepia Shaded Van). A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded sepia color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~SHADED SEPIA & WHITE VAN PATTERN/COLORS~~ (~~Chinchilla Sable & White Van, Shaded Sable & White Van, Chinchilla Blue Sepia & White Van, Shaded Blue Sepia & White Van, Chinchilla Champagne & White Van, Shaded Champagne & White Van, Chinchilla Platinum & White Van, Shaded Platinum & White Van, Shell Cameo Sepia & White Van, Shaded Cameo Sepia & White Van, Shell Cream Cameo & White Van, Shaded Cream Cameo & White Van).~~ A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established shaded sepia color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

TORTOISESHELL SEPIA CHINCHILLA & WHITE/VAN, CALICO SEPIA CHINCHILLA VAN (Sable Tortoiseshell Chinchilla & White, Sable Tortoiseshell Chinchilla Van, Sable Calico Chinchilla, Sable Calico Chinchilla Van, Blue Cream Sepia Chinchilla & White, Blue Cream Sepia Chinchilla Van, Dilute Calico Sepia Chinchilla, Dilute Calico Sepia Chinchilla Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Chinchilla & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell Chinchilla Van, Champagne Calico Chinchilla, Champagne Calico Chinchilla Van, Platinum Cream Chinchilla & White, Platinum Cream Chinchilla Van, Platinum Calico Chinchilla, Platinum Calico Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Chinchilla & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Chinchilla Van, Cinnamon Calico Sepia Chinchilla, Cinnamon Calico Sepia Chinchilla Van, Fawn Cream Sepia Chinchilla & White, Fawn Cream Sepia Chinchilla Van, Fawn Calico Sepia, Fawn Calico Sepia Van).

TORTOISESHELL SEPIA SHADED & WHITE/VAN, CALICO SEPIA SHADED VAN (Sable Tortoiseshell Shaded & White, Sable Tortoiseshell Shaded Van, Sable Calico Shaded, Sable Calico Shaded Van, Blue Cream Sepia Shaded & White, Blue Cream Sepia Shaded Van, Dilute Calico Sepia Shaded, Dilute Calico Sepia Shaded Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Shaded & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell Shaded Van, Champagne Calico Shaded, Champagne Calico Shaded Van, Platinum Cream Shaded & White, Platinum Cream Shaded Van, Platinum Calico Shaded, Platinum Calico Shaded Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Shaded & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Shaded Van, Cinnamon Calico Sepia Shaded, Cinnamon Calico Sepia Shaded Van, Fawn Cream Sepia Shaded & White, Fawn Cream Sepia Shaded Van, Fawn Calico Sepia Shaded, Fawn Calico Sepia Shaded Van).

SMOKE SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Sable Smoke & White, Sable Smoke Van, Blue Smoke Sepia Smoke & White, Blue Sepia Smoke Van, Champagne Smoke & White, Champagne Smoke Van, Platinum Smoke & White, Platinum Smoke Van, Cinnamon Sepia Smoke & White, Cinnamon Sepia Smoke Van, Fawn Sepia Smoke & White, Fawn Sepia Smoke Van, Cameo Smoke Red Sepia Smoke & White, Red Sepia

Smoke Van, Cream Cameo Smoke Cream Sepia Smoke & White, Cream Sepia Smoke & White). A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established smoke sepia color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~**SMOKE SEPIA & WHITE VAN PATTERN/COLORS**~~ (Sable Smoke & White Van, Blue Smoke Sepia & White Van, Champagne Smoke & White Van, Platinum Smoke & White Van, Cameo Smoke Sepia & White Van, Cream Cameo Smoke Sepia & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established smoke sepia color/pattern description. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable.

~~**SEPIA TORTOISESHELL & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS**~~ (Sable Tortoiseshell & White, Blue Cream & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell & White, Platinum Cream & White): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established sable tortoiseshell color/pattern description. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button.

~~**SEPIA TORTOISESHELL & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS**~~ (Sable Tortoiseshell & White Van, Blue Cream Sepia & White Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell & White, Platinum Cream & White Van): A cat of white and colored portions, the colored portions to conform to the currently established sepia tortoiseshell color/pattern description. Color confined to the extremities. One or two small patches of color on the body acceptable.

~~**SABLE CALICO:**~~ white with unbrindled patches of sable brown and red with white, red and/or dark brown points, white predominant on underparts. ~~**Nose leather:**~~ dark brown, may be patched with pink. ~~**Paw pads:**~~ medium to dark brown, may have rosy undertone and may be patched with pink.

~~**BLUE CALICO SEPIA:**~~ white with unbrindled patches of slate blue and cream with warm overtones and with white, cream and/or slate blue points. White predominant on underparts. ~~**Nose leather:**~~ slate gray, may be patched with pink. ~~**Paw pads:**~~ blue-gray, rosy undertone and may be patched with pink.

~~**CHAMPAGNE CALICO:**~~ white with unbrindled patches of golden tan to light coffee brown and red with white, red and/or medium brown points. White predominant on underparts. ~~**Nose leather:**~~ cinnamon brown, may be patched with pink. ~~**Paw pads:**~~ cinnamon pink to cinnamon brown, may be patched with pink.

~~**PLATINUM CALICO:**~~ white with unbrindled patches of dove gray and cream with white, cream and/or frosty gray points. White predominant on underparts. ~~**Nose leather and paw pads:**~~ lavender pink, may be patched with pink.

TORTOISESHELL SEPIA SMOKE & WHITE/VAN, CALICO SEPIA SMOKE VAN PATTERN/COLORS (Sable Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Sable Tortoiseshell Smoke Van, Sable Calico Smoke, Sable Calico Smoke Van, Blue Cream Sepia Smoke & White, Blue Cream Sepia Smoke Van, Dilute Calico Sepia Smoke, Dilute Calico Sepia Smoke Van, Champagne Tortoiseshell Smoke & White, Champagne Tortoiseshell Smoke Van, Champagne Calico Smoke, Champagne Calico Smoke Van, Platinum Cream Smoke & White, Platinum Cream Smoke Van, Platinum Calico Smoke, Platinum Calico Smoke Van, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Smoke & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell Sepia Smoke Van, Cinnamon Calico Sepia Smoke, Cinnamon Calico Sepia Smoke Van, Fawn Cream Sepia Smoke & White, Fawn Cream Sepia Smoke Van, Fawn Calico Sepia Smoke, Fawn Calico Sepia Smoke Van).

SHADED TORTOISESHELL SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS: (Chinchilla Sable Tortoiseshell & White, Shaded Sable Tortoiseshell & White, Chinchilla Blue Cream Sepia & White, Shaded Blue Cream Sepia & White, Chinchilla Champagne Tortoiseshell & White, Shaded Champagne Tortoiseshell & White, Chinchilla Platinum Cream & White, Shaded Platinum Cream & White). A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded tortoiseshell pattern. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

SHADED TORTOISESHELL SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS: (Chinchilla Sable Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shaded Sable Tortoiseshell & White Van, Chinchilla Blue Cream Sepia & White Van, Shaded Blue Cream Sepia & White Van, Chinchilla Champagne Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shaded Champagne Tortoiseshell & White Van, Chinchilla Platinum Tortoiseshell & White Van, Shaded Platinum Tortoiseshell & White Van). A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with chinchilla/shaded tortoiseshell pattern. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

TABBY SEPIA & WHITE/VAN, PATCHED TABBY SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*): (Sable Tabby & White, Sable Tabby Van, Sable Patched Tabby & White, Sable Patched Tabby Van, Blue Sepia Tabby & White, Blue Sepia Tabby Van, Blue Patched Sepia Tabby & White, Blue Patched Sepia Tabby Van, Champagne Tabby & White, Champagne Tabby Van, Champagne Patched Tabby & White, Champagne Patched Tabby Van, Platinum Tabby & White, Platinum Tabby Van, Platinum Patched Tabby & White, Platinum Patched Tabby Van, Cinnamon Sepia Tabby & White, Cinnamon Sepia Tabby Van, Cinnamon Patched Sepia Tabby & White, Cinnamon Patched Sepia Tabby Van, Fawn Sepia Tabby & White, Fawn Sepia Tabby Van, Fawn Patched Sepia Tabby & White, Fawn Patched Sepia Tabby Van, Red Sepia Tabby & White, Red Sepia Tabby Van, Cream Sepia Tabby & White, Cream Sepia Tabby Van).

SILVER TABBY SEPIA & WHITE/VAN, SILVER PATCHED TABBY SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLOR (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*): (Sable Silver Tabby & White, Sable Silver Tabby Van, Sable Silver Patched Tabby & White, Sable Silver Patched Tabby Van, Blue Silver Sepia Tabby & White, Blue Silver Sepia Tabby Van, Blue Silver Patched Sepia Tabby & White, Blue Silver Patched Sepia Tabby Van, Champagne Silver Tabby & White, Champagne Silver Tabby Van, Champagne Silver Patched Tabby & White, Champagne Silver Patched Tabby Van, Platinum Silver Tabby & White, Platinum

Silver Tabby Van, Platinum Silver Patched Tabby & White, Platinum Silver Patched Tabby Van, Cinnamon Silver Sepia Tabby & White, Cinnamon Silver Sepia Tabby Van, Cinnamon Silver Patched Sepia Tabby & White, Cinnamon Silver Patched Sepia Tabby Van, Fawn Silver Sepia Tabby & White, Fawn Silver Sepia Tabby Van, Fawn Silver Patched Sepia Tabby & White, Fawn Silver Patched Sepia Tabby Van, Red Silver Sepia Tabby & White, Red Silver Sepia Tabby Van, Cream Silver Sepia Tabby & White, Cream Silver Sepia Tabby Van).

~~TABBY SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS~~ (*classic, mackerel, spotted ticked*)

~~(Sable Tabby & White, Blue Sepia Tabby & White, Champagne Tabby & White, Platinum Tabby & White, Red Sepia Tabby & White, Cream Sepia Tabby & White, Sable Patched Tabby & White, Blue Patched Sepia Tabby & White, Champagne Patched Tabby & White, Platinum Patched Tabby & White).~~ A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with tabby pattern. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant colors or cream in dilute colors. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

~~TABBY SEPIA & WHITE VAN PATTERN/COLORS~~ (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*)

~~(Sable Tabby & White Van, Blue Sepia Tabby & White Van, Champagne Tabby & White Van, Platinum Tabby & White Van, Red Sepia Tabby & White Van, Cream Sepia Tabby & White, Van Sable Patched Tabby & White Van, Blue Patched Sepia Tabby & White Van, Champagne Patched Tabby & White Van, Platinum Patched Tabby & White Van).~~ A cat of an established sepia pattern/color with tabby pattern. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant colors or cream in dilute colors. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable. **One leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

~~SILVER TABBY SEPIA & WHITE PATTERN/COLORS~~ (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*)

~~(Sable Silver Tabby & White, Blue Silver Sepia Tabby & White, Champagne Silver Tabby & White, Platinum Silver Tabby & White, Red Silver Sepia Tabby & White, Cream Silver Sepia Tabby & White, Sable Silver Patched Tabby & White, Blue Silver Patched Tabby & White, Champagne Silver Patched Tabby & White, Platinum Silver Patched Tabby & White).~~ A cat of an established sepia tabby pattern/color. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant colors or cream in dilute colors. Any amount of White is acceptable with no particular preference given to any pattern. Cats with no more white than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this color class. Such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket and/or button. **Nose leather and paw pads:** may be patched with pink.

~~SILVER TABBY SEPIA & WHITE/VAN PATTERN/COLORS~~ (*classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked*)

~~(Sable Silver Tabby & White Van, Blue Silver Sepia Tabby & White Van, Champagne Silver Tabby & White Van, Platinum Silver Tabby & White Van, Red Silver Sepia Tabby & White Van, Cream Silver Sepia Tabby & White Van, Sable Silver Patched Tabby & White Van, Blue Silver Patched Sepia Tabby & White Van, Champagne Silver Patched Tabby & White Van, Platinum Silver Patched Tabby & White Van).~~ A cat of an established sepia tabby pattern/color. Patched cats will have patches of red in dominant

~~colors or cream in dilute colors. Color confined to extremities. One or two small patches of color on body allowable. Nose leather and paw pads: may be patched with pink.~~

ORMC (Other RagaMuffin Colors): any other genetically possible color or pattern with the exception of pointed colors. ~~Cats with no more than a locket and/or button do not qualify for this class; such cats shall be judged in the color class of their basic color with no penalty for such locket or button.~~

RATIONALE: Over the past few months, extensive study and work has been done on our color list in preparation for upcoming registration changes/improvements. I was asked to go through our complete color list. I was to check that all our colors were present and to make sure the list was correct. Our breeders had already found some missing colors since the first acceptance of this standard, and so these colors have been added. For example one full section of Tortoiseshell colors were missing in the Sepia color/patterns. Some colors were not extended fully throughout all the patterns, so these have been completed. Spelling/grammatical errors have also been corrected. Finally, the order of colors and pattern names has been made consistent throughout the entire standard. Color names have also been made consistent – for example, we had used both “shell” and “chinchilla”, “cameo” and “red”. In some cases pattern would be listed first, and then another the color was first. Our list has been edited to provide consistently throughout the entire standard. This update of our color list should allow breeders/judges to find every kitten/cat color and the correct name order. This will clean up our registrations and consequently our show colors should then be consistent. For example, we have had registrations and show entries of – Natural Tortoiseshell Mink & White, Natural Mink Tortoiseshell & White, and Mink Tortoiseshell & White. With a complete and corrected listing in our standard, this should help these errors. Lastly, verbiage describing colors/patterns was written after all sections, many of these being extremely repetitive. All this repetitive language has been deleted, with the descriptions now only being written out at the main heading. This should overall shorten the list, and certainly remove the redundancy.

YES: 9

NO: 8

ABSTAIN: 3

STANDARD CHANGE (fails)

Votes: 17

60% of Voting: 11

No action.

SCOTTISH FOLD

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Marilee Griswold – Blythewood, South Carolina

Total Members: 25

Ballots Received: 18

- 1. PROPOSED:** Revise the Scottish Fold color class numbers to remove AOV and add color classes for straight ears.

The following information is for reference purposes only
and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.

Scottish Fold Color Class Numbers

LONGHAIR DIVISION

Solid Color	8400	8401
<i>(White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lilac, Cinnamon, Fawn)</i>		
Tabby	8436	8437
<i>[All colors and combinations of colors with the addition of a Tabby Pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)]</i>		
Tabby & White	8492	8493
<i>[All Tabby Colors and Combinations of Colors in any Tabby Pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)] with the addition of white)]</i>		
Parti-Color & Bi-Color	8446	8447
<i>(Tortoiseshell, Tortoiseshell & White, Chocolate Tortoiseshell, Chocolate Tortoiseshell & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell & White, Calico, Dilute Calico, Blue-Cream, Blue-Cream & White, Lilac-Cream, Lilac-Cream & White, Fawn-Cream, Fawn-Cream & White, Pointed & White, and all established solid colors with the addition of white)</i>		
Pointed	8478	8479
<i>(All colors and patterns combined with the Pointed Pattern, excluding Pointed & White)</i>		
Other Scottish Fold Colors	8428	8429
<i>(Any Other Color or Combination of Colors and Patterns)</i>		
Straight ear	XXXX	XXXX
AOV	8498	8499
AOV	None	None

SHORTHAIIR DIVISION

Solid Color	8800	8801
<i>(White, Black, Blue, Red, Cream, Chocolate, Lilac, Cinnamon, Fawn)</i>		
Tabby	8836	8837
<i>[All colors and combinations of colors with the addition of a Tabby Pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)]</i>		

Tabby & White	8892	8893
<i>[All Tabby Colors and Combinations of Colors in any Tabby Pattern (classic, mackerel, spotted, ticked and patched)] with the addition of white)]</i>		
Parti-Color & Bi-Color	8846	8847
<i>(Tortoiseshell, Tortoiseshell & White, Chocolate Tortoiseshell, Chocolate Tortoiseshell & White, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell, Cinnamon Tortoiseshell & White, Calico, Dilute Calico, Blue-Cream, Blue-Cream & White, Lilac-Cream, Lilac-Cream & White, Fawn-Cream, Fawn-Cream & White, Pointed & White, and all established solid colors with the addition of white)</i>		
Pointed	8878	8879
<i>(All colors and patterns combined with the Pointed Pattern, excluding Pointed & White)</i>		
Other Scottish Fold Colors	8828	8829
<i>(Any Other Color or Combination of Colors and Patterns)</i>		
Straight ear	XXXX	XXXX
AOV	8898	8899
AOV	None	None

RATIONALE: Straight-ear Scottish Folds have been in an AOV status (straight ears are our only AOV) and have been shown in CFA. There are currently 2,332 individual straight-ear Scottish folds registered with the 8498/8499, 8898/8899 prefix. Of these, 654 individual registrations are in China. Allowing the straight ear into a color class allows these cats to compete for the brown ribbon and gives them the potential for titles. Upwards of 50% of the cats any Scottish Fold breeder has have straight ears. This will allow the breeders to show the beautiful specimens of Scottish Fold straight ears and will bring more cats and entries to the show hall. Scottish Fold straight ears are accepted for championship status in many organizations to include TICA (The International Cat Association), CFF (Cat Fanciers Federation), WCF (World Cat Federation), ACF (Australian Cat fancy), CCC (Chats Canada Cats), CCCA (Co-ordination Cat Council of Australia), NZCF (New Zealand Cat Fancy) and LOOF (Livre Officiel des Origins Felines) the latter of which CFA announced a partnership on 02/16/2019. We have pressure from breeders in these organizations to accept straight ears for Championship status. In addition, there are some regions in the world that are limiting or forbidding not only the breeding of folded-ear cats but also their ownership. The folded-ear cats, as of April 2019, have already been banned in Brussels. There is also a push in China to ban folded-ear cats. Allowing straight-ear Scottish Folds to be shown for titles will allow breeders in these areas to continue to show and support CFA.

YES: 17

NO: 1

ABSTAIN: 0

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 18

>50% of Voting: 10

Newkirk: Let's move on to the next breed. **Bennett:** The next breed with a passing item is the Scottish Fold. I believe Merilee is on to speak to it. It is a proposal to allow to show straight-eared Folds, moving them from AOV to championship class. The number of registered Folds was included in this, and these cats have been shown in AOV. The item passed with 17 votes, 10 was required for 50%. Marilee, would you like to speak? **Griswold:** Sure. Can you guys hear me? **Newkirk:** Yes. You're on. **Griswold:** Fantastic. Thanks for letting me talk to you about this today, Marilee Griswold, the Breed Council Secretary. This is a proposal to allow straight-eared versions of our cats, of which 50% exist in the breed, into a championship status. The breed council passed this with 94% support. I got numbers from Mr. Simbro about straight-eared Scottish Folds that have been registered around the world. They are accepted for championship status in eight organizations, to include TICA and WCF. I know we have really strong support in China, just even with the thought that this could be a possibility. I've had a lot of excited people from around the world. Another thing that is in the back of my mind with regards to this is that the folded-ear version of this breed has started to be banned in certain areas of the world. I have had texts and conversations with people from China that are also worried about this ban, but in general, our AOV was straight ears. It's not like a strange color that nobody has ever seen, these are 50% of the cats that we have in our houses. So, I know there is strong support to do this. I'm just hoping that we can consider ways to get these straight ears shown.

DelaBar: Not only are these cats valuable breeding cats for the Scottish Fold breed, they have a definite different look than any of the outcrosses used for Scottish Folds in that they actually do look like Scottish Folds in expression, body, coat development. We have within Europe a very strong animal rights movement that is banning the showing, the breeding. We have had one breeder have the authorities show up at the house at 6:30 in the morning, come in and take even their computers and hold them for over 6 months. This is very serious. If we were allowed to show these cats with the folded ears also, we would have something to be able to fight against all this legislation going on. We can show these cats do not promote or pass on any health problems. These cats are healthy, and we can help fight if we can bring these cats into the show ring. I know I have judged like 32 straight-eared folds in the Ukraine. Yes, we can get more entries, but the important thing is, one, they are important breeding cats, and two, they can help us fight what is becoming a very serious problem in Europe. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Pam.

Eigenhauser: Let me start by saying I agree with everything Pam says. I think straight-eared Folds are beautiful cats, they deserve to be shown. Keeping straight ears on the show bench helps improve the genetic diversity. It makes the straight ears more valuable. I think it's good for the health of the breed, but I've been getting private emails from American Shorthair breeders who feel that the American Shorthairs and the British should have been polled when this came out. As you all know, those two breeds are used as outcross for Scottish Folds. Some Scottish Folds do have a distinct look, some Scottish Folds look a little more American, some Scottish Folds look a little more British. Because both of those breeds are used as outcrosses to the Folds, I believe they should have been polled. What I would prefer to do with this is, since we're already carrying over the Burmese to the April board meeting, I would like to do an off-

cycle poll of the Brits and the Americans to see if they are comfortable with this. **Newkirk:** That's a good point. Do you want to make a motion now or do you want to let other people comment, George? **Eigenhauser:** I would like to let other people comment, to see if I'm out of line here before I make the motion. **Newkirk:** I think you're correct.

Webster: I'm totally for this. I go along with what Pam is saying. For the biodiversity alone and a representation of the cat, I think it should be allowed to go through. **Currle:** I'm totally supportive of these straight-eared Folds being shown. On the other hand, we've already set a situation forward with affected breeds. I would be willing to wait until April to discuss this, but my vote as of now would be yes and it will be again in April, just to create a sense of fairness to the breeds that would be affected. **Cao:** As a Scottish Fold breeder for over 10 years, I'm really glad to see a lot of board members are commenting that the straight-eared Scottish Fold actually has a distinct look that is unique to its breed, which is what we are looking for and what we are trying to define in our standard. Also, the Scottish Fold has a completely different coat texture that we're looking for in the Scottish Fold than in the other two breeds – the American Shorthair and the British Shorthair. That's only the coat texture alone. I think from the breed standard point of view, I think it should be very distinct and they should be moved to championship status. As a show producer, I've had many, many requests about whether or not straight-eared versions of the Scottish Fold will ever be introduced into the CFA show halls. I've been hearing from breeders and from exhibitors, and also from the homes that I sometimes place my altered cats into. A lot of times, regrettably, I have to actually try to refer them to other associations, like WCF or TICA, which are allowing the straight-eared version of our cats to be shown. So, I think for the breeders, for the exhibitors, for the show producers, for all of these different reasons, the straight-eared version should be moved into championship status, so I'm all for it. As for the procedure, I'm not sure. That's up to the board. Thank you.

Dunham: As a British Shorthair breeder, I am concerned that the look of these cats in some cases do look very much like British Shorthairs and the differential between the two breeds is not significant enough in some respects to have them be a division of the Scottish Folds. I have also received emails like George has from other American Shorthair breeders and from a couple of Scottish Fold breeders that are reminding us of the history of when the Scottish Fold was accepted. At that point in time, they were requested by the board and promised the board at the time that they would never bring straight eareds to the show bench. So, I am with George on this. I think both American Shorthair breeders and British Shorthair breeders need to be polled on this and a continued discussion taken up in April. Thank you. **Morgan:** First of all, I want to start by commending the Fold breeders for following procedure on bringing this type of proposal to us. I know that I personally have handled straight-eared Folds on the table, and I think we do need to support changes and encourage healthy advancements such as this. However, George makes a good point. I did not receive any comments from British Shorthair breeders or American Shorthair breeders, but if there are concerns there, I think that the board should err on the side of supporting all of our different breeds. I think we have a mechanism that we just set into place for the Burmese that would give us the opportunity to follow due diligence, and that would certainly do no harm. I have one last question, which is; they are bringing this in as color classes. It seems to me it would make more sense to bring in the straight-eared Folds as a division. **Bennett:** Can I speak to that, Melanie? **Morgan:** Sure. I'm pretty much done, but I would really love to hear your input, sure. **Bennett:** The reason we did it this way, as a color class and not as a division, is that to recognize them as a division would be to introduce a new breed, in our opinion, which

would then be going through Miscellaneous, Provisional, etc. We wanted to start with having them as a color class, as the straight-eared color class within the Scottish Folds. Then, if numbers proceed such that it can be split into a division, it could be done at a later time but we were trying very carefully to follow all protocols with this. **Morgan:** Appreciate that, thank you. **Newkirk:** You did a great job on that, Jacqui. **Anger:** Like Melanie and Pam, I have been fortunate enough to judge huge classes of these straight-eared Folds in other areas of the world where I judged a CFA show Saturday and the association in which these cats are approved for championship on Sunday, so they supported the CFA show, which is why we have such strong statistics. They are there. They want to come to us and be shown. Having this experience, what I can tell you is that any fear of this being a look-alike breed should be totally removed. Those of us that have seen them are speaking from experience. We've seen them. I know what they look like. You wouldn't look at one of those and say, "oh, this is a British Shorthair," or this is any other breed. They have a very unique look. They are adorable. I would like to compliment the breed council on going this route, by having them as a color class, so that they can come in at a gradual level and develop on their own in our association. I wholeheartedly welcome these cats, really look forward to it, and well done. **B. Moser:** I agree with George about holding back until we hear from the British Shorthairs and American Shorthairs, but I definitely want to see this happen. So, today I'm going to vote yes just to show my support.

Griswold: I was just going to take a moment. I myself have not heard from any American Shorthair breeders or British Shorthair breeders or their breed councils. As someone who has bred both Brits and Folds, I do believe that they have their own unique look and I also agree with Gavin that their coat texture is very different, based on the American Shorthair has the hard coat. They have a different feel to them altogether. **Newkirk:** Marilee, hang on a moment. If you're not speaking, would you please mute your microphone? We're getting a whole lot of back noise. Thank you. **Griswold:** As I had mentioned, eight different organizations – TICA, WCF, all around the world from New Zealand into Europe, China and beyond – accept these for championship status. So, I think it's a good move for us. It's also a good move for people going forward, if they are in areas like Brussels where this folded ear has already been banned, but you can still, if you've been a Scottish Fold breeder for 10 years, you can still show your cats then, even if the folded ear has been banned in your area. **Newkirk:** Marilee, do you think we have deviated from the policy by not polling the Americans and the British? **Griswold:** I talked to Jacqui about this. Since they are already accepted as AOVs and they have been registered since we first came in, in 1966, I think we had decided that we didn't need to do that, following previous precedents moving things from AOV into championship status. They are already there. **DelaBar:** I was going to say, one, we can't go back 40-some odd years or almost 40 years to base an opinion on, we're never going to ask for anything. The hard coat of an American, the crisp coat of a Brit, does not equal the plush coat of a Scottish Fold. There is so much difference there, absolutely. A judge should not confuse any of them. I wanted to ask Jacqui, did you get any input from any of the other breed councils about concern on this question? **Bennett:** We did not, and as Marilee said, we reviewed it with our entire committee and all of us felt that it was distinct enough to not require affected breeds. The American Shorthair breed council also submitted proposals. I chatted with her briefly as she was submitting it. She didn't seem to have any concern with it. So no, we got no input from the other Breed Council Secretaries on the issue. **Currle:** Very quickly, I have judged hundreds of these, particularly in Ukraine as Pam has. They are a fantastic breed. They are unique and let's just get it done today. They don't need to wait. **Mastin:** I think we can all appreciate the history of where

the Scottish Fold came from and how long ago it was. I think we can also appreciate the desire to get feedback from the other two breeds that were requested. However, I just want to remind you, they are already accepted as an AOV. I heard earlier in the discussion that 50% of the cats are straight eared. I don't understand the reason why we are debating the delay on this when it's already an accepted breed. It sounds like everybody is in support of this. We need to just move this along and support what's being requested. **Newkirk:** OK.

Newkirk: George, do you want to make a motion? **Eigenhauser:** Sure. I'll make the motion that we postpone discussion of this until April, and poll the American and British breed councils. **Anger:** Rachel seconds, with the right to vote no. **Newkirk:** Thank you Rachel. I think we have beat this to death. George has made the motion to table this until the April meeting and get input from the British and the American Shorthair councils. **Eigenhauser:** If I could just make one last comment before we vote, if we table it until April we can still make it effective in the coming show season, so it won't delay it at all. **Newkirk:** Yeah. Alright, so let's vote on this. Let's vote on George's motion to table. All those in favor raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Morgan, Eigenhauser, McCullough, Byrd, Dunham, Calhoun, Colilla and Krzanowski voting yes.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Steve McCullough, Cyndy Byrd, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, John Colilla, Carol Krzanowski. The no votes, those that are against the table motion, is Kenny Currie, Pam Moser – **Tartaglia:** This is Allene. I did want to make a note that, depending on the date of the board meeting in April, if this is tabled until the April board meeting and it passes ultimately, it may not be in time for the printed show rules. **Newkirk:** Well, we can put an addendum in. We've done it before. Where were we at? The no votes. Or yes votes. **Anger:** The no votes. **Newkirk:** No against tabling. Kenny Currie, Pam Moser, Pam DelaBar, Howard Webster, Brian Moser, Rich Mastin, Rachel Anger, Sharon Roy, Hayata-san. Any abstentions? Please take your hand down. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you are tabulated. **Anger:** Thank you. Eight yes votes, nine no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you so much. So, the motion to table has failed.

Newkirk: Let's now go back. Are we ready to vote on this Proposal #1 from the Scottish Fold, to accept a color class for the straights. All those in favor.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Dunham and McCullough voting no.

Newkirk: The yes votes are, Rachel Anger, Melanie Morgan, Pam DelaBar, Brian Moser, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Rich Mastin, Cyndy Byrd, Pam Moser, Kenny Currie, John Colilla, George Eigenhauser, Sharon Roy, Kathy Calhoun, Hayata-san. If you will take your hands down, I'll call for the no votes. Cathy Dunham, Steve McCullough. If you will take your hands down, any abstentions? I see no abstentions. You can announce the vote, Rachel. **Anger:** 15 yes votes, 2 no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** Thank you so much. The motion is adopted to accept Proposal #1 on the Scottish Fold ballot. We will be seeing the Scottish Straights in May if we have some shows.

2. **PROPOSED:** Add the word "folded" to the current ear description and add description for the straight ear.

FOLDED EARS: fold forward and downward. Small, the smaller, tightly folded ear preferred over a loose fold and large ear. The ears should be set in a caplike fashion to expose a rounded cranium. Ear tips to be rounded.

STRAIGHT EAR: Ears to be medium to small with rounded tips. They are set well apart to show a rounded cranium.

RATIONALE: As noted in Proposal 1, we would like to move AOV straight-ear Scottish Folds to their own color class. We anticipate this will be well received by Scottish Fold breeders everywhere and will increase participation in CFA. It also encourages the breeding of straight ear cats for those who live in areas that may prohibit the folded ear.

YES: 17

NO: 1

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 18

60% of Voting: 11

Newkirk: OK Jacqui, go ahead. **Bennett**: Our next proposal with passing votes are for the Siberian. **Newkirk**: Hang on, we've got two more Scottish Fold votes. **Bennett**: Oh, OK sorry. I'm having a little bit of trouble with my screen. Let's go to the second Scottish Fold, which is to add the word "folded" so that we describe folded ears and straight ears within the current ear description, so that we have a clear description of both the folded and the straight-eared Folds. **Newkirk**: Looks pretty straight forward. Any discussion on this? Seeing no hands up, is there any objection to Proposal #2? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, motion #2 is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

3. **PROPOSED**: Remove the straight ear from the rules of registration as AOV.

REGISTER AS AOV:

Straight ears <u>None</u>	

RATIONALE: If Proposals 1 and 2 pass, the removal of straight ear as an AOV will clean up the registration rules.

YES: 17

NO: 1

ABSTAIN: 0

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 18

>50% of Voting: 10

Newkirk: Let's go to Proposal #3, Jacqui. **Bennett**: Proposal #3 of the Scottish Fold is to remove straight ears and add the word none. **Newkirk**: OK, thank you. Anybody want to comment on this one? Is there any objection to the adoption of Proposal #3, to remove in the

Register AOV, strike out straight ears and add none? Hearing no objection, Proposal #3 is ratified by unanimous consent. Thank you all very much and thank you Marilee.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

SIBERIAN

Breed Council Secretary: Iris Zinck, Bedford, Massachusetts

Total Members: 11

Ballots Received: 9

1. **PROPOSED:** Revise the Siberian registration prefixes. Eliminate registration of Siberians as “mited” and register (or re-register, as appropriate) all Siberians “with white” under the appropriate bi-color registration code. This will discontinue use of registration prefixes 3940 and 3944.

~~3940 SIBERIAN LYNX POINT MITTED~~

~~3944 SIBERIAN OTHER (POINTED) MITTED~~

RATIONALE: There are 13 Siberians registered as mited. The standard has never described the mited pattern; it allows all colors and combinations with or without white in any and all areas. A “mited” Siberian is a Bi-Color (or “with white”). No titles or awards will be lost with this change and the 13 Siberians registered with these codes can be re-registered upon request (at no charge, per Central Office). The following codes will remain and be used for re-registrations:

3942 SIBERIAN LYNX POINT BI-COLOR

3946 SIBERIAN OTHER POINTED-WHITE

YES: 7

NO: 2

ABSTAIN: 0

REGISTRATION ISSUE (passes)

Votes: 9

>50% of Voting: 5

Bennett: Our next breed with passing items is the Siberian. Again, it should be noted that [inaudible] included color classes. We were not provided with numbers shown, numbers registered, and did advise that we would so make the board aware. The first proposal is to revise the Siberian registration prefixes, eliminating the registration of Siberians as mited, and register all Siberians with white under the appropriate bi-color registration code. This item passed with 7 yes votes, 5 were required for 50%. **Newkirk:** Comments on this one? They are basically taking the mited out and putting them in with bi-colors, is that correct? **Bennett:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Seeing no hands up, is there any objection to the adoption of Proposal #1 on the Siberian? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, it is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

2. **PROPOSED:** Add Seal Silver Lynx Point and Blue Silver Lynx Point color descriptions and registration codes:

SEAL SILVER LYNX POINT: Points silvery, ground color ticked with brown to brownish black barring. Seal coloring will be colder and duller than in the non-silver seal tabby point. Body ivory to pale fawn beige. White undercoat. Underside of base of tail silver white. **Nose leather:** ranges from pink to seal to brick red, with or without black lining. **Paw pads:** brownish black with rosy undertones allowed. **Eye Color:** blue.

BLUE SILVER LYNX POINT: Points bluish silver ticked with darker blue-gray tabby markings. Body color bluish white to silver gray, cold in tone, without any trace of brown. Underside of base of tail silver white. **Nose Leather:** blue or old rose lined in blue. **Paw Pads:** dark blue to slate gray. **Eye color:** blue.

RATIONALE: The Siberian standard has codes for six lynx point colors, but Seal Silver Lynx Point and Blue Silver Lynx Point are currently registered as 3896 Other Color. This has posed problems for registration, and registration codes are needed for them.

YES: 7

NO: 1

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 8

60% of Voting: 5

Bennett: The second item is to add seal-silver lynx point and blue-silver lynx point color descriptions and registration codes. This item passed with 8 [sic, 7] votes, 5 would be required for ratification. **Newkirk:** Any comments on Proposal #2 under the Siberian breed? Is there any objection to the adoption of Proposal #2? **Morgan:** For the record, I believe it passed with 7 yes votes and she said 8, just so that we have that straight. There was one no vote. **Bennett:** Sorry, yes. Sorry about that. **Anger:** Jacqui, would you please point out which proposals relate to your comments about data not being provided, so that we're all clear? **Bennett:** The third one that says to change the current color classes from one to three, is what I was referring to. **Newkirk:** Got it, OK. Let's go back to #2. Any comments on #2? Is there any objection to the adoption of Proposal #2 as printed? Hearing no objections, Proposal #2 is ratified by unanimous consent.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

3. **PROPOSED:** Change the current color classes for the Siberian breed from one to three, reflecting a balanced division of currently shown colors.

*The following information is for reference purposes only
and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.*

Siberian Color Class Numbers

All Championship Colors.....3700——3701

*(All accepted colors as defined in the Show
Standards and Any Other Siberian Colors)*

Tabby	XXXX	XXXX
<i>(All allowed agouti colors without evidence of the bicolor gene. Buttons, spots and lockets are allowed)</i>		
Tabby and White	XXXX	XXXX
<i>(All allowed agouti colors with the addition of the bicolor gene, showing white in any amount and any area)</i>		
All Other Siberian Colors	XXXX	XXXX
<i>(Includes solids, particolors, smokes, shadeds, and any of these colors with white. Also includes all permitted colorpoint and lynx point colors, as well as those colors with white.)</i>		
AOV	None	None

RATIONALE: Expanding the number of color classes for the Siberian breed from one to three will provide exhibitors with increased opportunities for positive feedback and keep CFA competitive with other organizations in its treatment of the breed.

The increasing popularity of pet Siberians has contributed to a corresponding increase in breeders, and enabled the breed to consistently rank among the top 20 breeds in terms of CFA registrations.* However, it still appears to be a minority breed in the show hall. We believe one key reason for this is the lack of color classes within the breed.

The growing number of breeders has led to a frequent influx of new Siberian exhibitors, many of whom quickly become discouraged by the double whammy of minority breed stigma and the lack of recognition within their own breed. As new exhibitors watch other breeds being judged and learn about the ribbons, they question the more seasoned exhibitors as to why our breed has to be different and they often disappear after just one or two shows. This reservoir of potential new exhibitors represents an untapped resource for CFA, and one that should be welcomed and encouraged by greater opportunities for positive feedback.

We believe the lack of color classes also contributes to a marked preference for showing in other associations on the part of Siberian breeders. In the United States, they trend towards TICA. In Europe, they will exhibit in TICA, FIFe, WCF, and other smaller registries. Most, if not all, competing registries have multiple color classes, divisions, categories, or even breed divisions for Siberians, sometimes separating the pointed cats under the name of “Neva Masquerade.”

The lack of color classes means lack of recognition for all but the top few cats at the end of the season, despite many quality cats shown. Obviously, having three divisions would give exhibitors the opportunity to take home a “best of color” award without also being the breed winner. While there are some who argue that there are not enough entries to justify color classes, because there are often only one, maybe two, Siberians entered in each judging class – if that -- we would offer the counter argument that while it may not change much in each individual show, it would change end of year awards. It is interesting to note that the top three Siberians in Championship for Regions 1 -9 in 2019-20 would all have received Best of

Color: Best of Breed, Best of Color for proposed class #3; 2nd Best of Breed, Best of Color for proposed class #2; 3rd Best of Breed, Best of Color for proposed class #1.

Our rationale for the division into these proposed classes is that we believe it presents the most balanced division numerically and visually. Filtering for cats who earned 30 or more breed/regional/national points in the last two seasons, we find that the divisions are quite balanced, as exhibited below:

	2019	2020
Total Number of Siberians earning Regional/National/Breed points	141	127
Total Number of Siberians earning 30 or more points	65	61
Numbers and percentages under proposed classes:		
Class #1: Tabby Class	23	19
Percent Class #1:	35%	31%
Class #2: Tabby and White Class	27	24
Percent Class #2:	42%	39%
Class #3: Pointed, Lynx Point, Solid – all with and without white	15	18
Percent Class #3:	23%	30%

We understand that it is generally considered preferable to break out one color class first when a breed wishes to add color classes, but there is precedent for going from one to three in the case of the Bengals last year. More importantly, proposing two classes – Tabby and Other Siberian Colors – as was initially suggested to us, would have the effect of breaking out and highlighting only approximately one-third of the cats now being shown. Tabbies do NOT constitute a majority of the Siberians shown and should not be singled out for additional recognition in this way, especially when the majority of Siberians being shown are actually tabby and white!

Please consider providing encouragement for new exhibitors of this increasingly popular breed by offering them potentially greater recognition in a way that is balanced between THREE color classes.

*Only 10 breeds were ranked for 2019, but in 2018 and 2017, when 20 were ranked, the Siberian was 18th and 15th, respectively. All higher ranked breeds have multiple color classes except for the Russian Blue and HHPs.

YES: 8

NO: 1

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE/COLOR CLASS (passes)

Votes: 9

>50% of Voting: 5

Newkirk: OK Jacqui, go on to #3. **Bennett:** #3, as mentioned, is to change the current color classes from one to three. Instead of All Championship Colors, they would like Tabby, Tabby and White, and All Other Siberian Colors. It was requested to provide numbers shown and registered. They were not provided. **Newkirk:** OK, comments? **Morgan:** Don't they have their numbers in this table here? The Total Number of Siberians earning points and they have broken it out by Tabby, Tabby and White, and Pointed, 141 total in 2019, 127 in 2020. Certainly they provided us with more data than anyone else has. I don't think that the numbers support the color classes and I certainly don't see a need for three, but I would be interested to hear what the Breed Council Secretary has to say about this. Thank you Jacqui. **Newkirk:** Is the Breed Council Secretary on the panel? **Zinck:** I'm the newly-elected Breed Council Secretary. I was involved with this proposal, but I did not have access to data when it was being written, other than what was provided by the past Breed Council Secretary. We did our best to work with the data that we had available. There was a lot of discussion about this amongst the breed council membership, about different ways to slice it and we felt that breaking out any one color class would be doing the breed a disservice because of the percentage proportions of the three colors currently being shown. **Newkirk:** Iris, how long has the Siberian been in championship class? Do you have that? **Zinck:** 2007. **Newkirk:** 2007, OK. So, you've been a single championship class all that time? **Eigenhauser:** I want to agree with Melanie. I just don't think the numbers justify splitting them into three color classes at this point. We're talking about less than 20 cats. That's just too few to be splitting out a color class. We've never set a specific minimum number, but these just seem really low to me. **DelaBar:** Iris, given my experience judging Siberians throughout Europe in many different organizations, I would recommend you go to two color classes, with your pointeds being one of them and all of your tabbies and your solid colors in yet another one. Keep it to two. **Zinck:** If you look at the numbers we provided, that would be breaking out the smallest number of cats. Usually when you break out one color class, you break out the one that has the largest population. Pointeds are distinctive and popular, but there are actually not that many of them shown, compared to the other colors. **DelaBar:** Except in Europe. **Morgan:** I think that the fact that these numbers are as equal as they are, Iris, and as small as they are point to the fact that there is really no need for the three color classes. It's just not there yet. I don't see that it really adds any huge benefit. Just my opinion, but the numbers as you said are quite equal for the most part, with a slight deficit to the pointeds, but if I were going to support anything, I would be far more likely to do it, as Pam said, in support of pointeds and then another class.

Newkirk: Any other comments? I'll call the vote. All those in favor of this Proposal #3, raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Failed.** Webster voting yes. Currle and Anger abstained.

Newkirk: I have Howard Webster. All those voting no raise your hand. The no votes are Melanie Morgan, Brian Moser, Pam Moser, George Eigenhauser, Cyndy Byrd, Carol Krzanowski, Kathy Calhoun, Pam DelaBar, John Colilla, Rich Mastin, Hayata-san, Sharon Roy. Steve McCullough, Cathy Dunham. All those abstaining. Kenny Currle and Rachel Anger. OK

Rachel, you can announce the vote whenever you are done calculating. **Anger:** I have one yes vote, 14 no votes, 2 abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, the motion fails.

TURKISH ANGORA

Re-Elected Breed Council Secretary: Alene Shafnisky, Trexlertown, Pennsylvania

Total Members: 21

Ballots Received: 17

1. **PROPOSED:** addition of language recommended in all breed standards, and to emphasize the profile's correctness. The standard would read as follows:

DISQUALIFY: Cobby body type; kinked or vertebral malformation of the tail; crossed eyes; incorrect number of toes; stop or break in profile; malocclusion resulting in either over or undershot chin. Color or patterns indicating hybridization, such as chocolate, lilac, point pattern, and all these colors and patterns with white.

RATIONALE: This is part of a change that was supported last year by the Breed Council, but the Board rejected our vote due to the definition of a tail kink changing. As a result we are first asking to put all of the non-controversial additions to our DQ in a form that we reasonably expect to be accepted. A stop or break in profile would be a DQ, as this is one of the defining features of our breed. Additionally, it was requested that all breeds add to their disqualification list the traits that would always merit a DQ (crossed eyes, number of toes, etc.).

YES: 17

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 17

60% of Voting: 11

Bennett: The next breed we can go to is the Turkish Angora. There were two items. The first item is the addition of language in the standard to emphasize the correctness of the profile. It passed with 17 votes as a standard change; 11 is required for 60%. **Currle:** I'm in favor of this. I'm all for clarification. **Newkirk:** OK, any other comments? I'll call for the vote. Any objections to Proposal #1 adoption? Hearing no objections, by unanimous consent, Proposal #1 is adopted.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

2. **PROPOSED:** clarification of language regarding a tail fault, to ensure it is a significant fault before disqualification. The standard would read as follows:

DISQUALIFY: Cobby body type; ~~kinked or vertebral malformation of the tail;~~ crossed eyes ... directional kink of the tail.

RATIONALE: We are seeking to limit disqualifications for tail faults to be a result of a true, directional kink in a vertebral body (i.e. a change in direction that is clearly palpable in one

vertebrae). Our existing gene pool must be able to overlook minor, non-health affecting issues in order to continue expansion, including slight curvature or cartilage overgrowth in the tail. Our breed council has discussed this at length, and as both caretakers for the breed overall and breeders who show our cats, we feel that our decisions regarding standard emphasis should be respected. This would still allow for the disqualification of a cat with a “true” kink. This change is separate from but in addition to proposal 1 if proposal 1 passes.

YES: 16

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 1

STANDARD CHANGE (passes)

Votes: 16

60% of Voting: 10

Newkirk: Let’s move on to Proposal #2. **Bennett:** Proposal #2, and the last ballot item to discuss before we get to the advancement package for Lykoi is a clarification in the Turkish Angora around the language regarding tail faults, to insure that it is a significant fault before disqualification. Allene, do you want to scroll down so they can see the language? **Newkirk:** Don’t go too far. You’re moving on to Proposal #2. Go back up so we can read the rationale for Proposal #1. **Bennett:** We already voted on #1. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. My God, it’s all running together. **Morgan:** First of all, congratulations Jacqui for making it through all your ballot items. Good job, but on this particular ballot item, I think I spoke fairly vehemently about this at our last cycle, and I will never in instances like this support moving a breed standard backwards. Not every cat is a show cat, and when we’re dealing with something like a tail fault which can evolve or tail abnormality which can evolve into other issues as we move on, I think that loosening our standards and lowering the bar is not a good direction to be going. Indeed, we don’t want to go down that slippery slope in my opinion, so I don’t support this. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much, Melanie, and I agree with you. **Eigenhauser:** Ditto to everything Melanie said. We are writing these standards to describe the ideal cat. Every time we amend the show standards, it should be to better describe the ideal cat, and I don’t want to dumb it down by going backwards, either. **Newkirk:** OK thank you George. Good comments. **Anger:** I respect those opinions. I have a little different opinion. To me, in this breed, a perfect tail is not the essence of the breed. They want to put the focus on other features. They have just changed the profile a little bit, the coat, the body structure, that’s what it’s all about. To be a great Turkish Angora and to fulfill the form and function of the breed, a perfect tail is not their focus. It’s other things, and I think that’s what they are trying to do here, is take focus away from the tail and putting it on other things, so I’m going to support this although I understand why other people would not. **Morgan:** I respect where Rachel is coming from. I understand exactly where you’re going there, but I’m just going to jump up on a soap box for just a small moment. I truly feel, in many ways, that when we’re dealing with issues that are not about what makes a breed unique, but can be construed as health issues. I truly wish that we had like some of the other associations a General that applied to all breeds, and that we were consistent on that, because that speaks to our primary mission, which is the health and welfare of all cats. Moving a breed standard backwards when we’re dealing with a health issue, again, is a really bad direction to be going, in my opinion. **Newkirk:** I think what you’re referring to Melanie is, we’re talking about the basic structure of the animal. Any deviation from that structure is a problem. It’s a fault, so I think that’s what you adequately described. Any other comments on this? **Shafnisky:** Darrell, can I speak as to this? **Newkirk:** Sure. Who is speaking? **Shafnisky:** Alene. **Newkirk:** Yes, go ahead Alene. **Shafnisky:** What

we're talking about here is disqualifying cats for health reasons, not just genetic ones. We want to keep our gene pool healthy, and removing cats from the gene pool because of a cosmetic fault just doesn't make sense. A DQ should really be about a significant bone abnormality, not something small. I've cats that their tails had when they developed a slight curvature, they get overhandled and now I have a stiff tail. You're saying that I would pet that cat out just because its tail was overhandled. It just doesn't seem to make sense. We're penalizing the show cat. The DQ should be something of a different standard. You know, if I may add too, this is the second consecutive year that our breed council has voted overwhelmingly in favor of this. We believe that minor tail issues are just that, and that's where they should be left. As far as changing the standards, I don't think this is a situation of going backwards. This is not a core thing of our breed. It's not one of our characteristics, but we've also seen other breeds whose standards are deemed to be just fine, who allow things like exactly this language we have. The Ragdoll came into CFA with this exact language, with no objection. The Siamese, Oriental, all those groups are even visible kinks. They are allowed to have actually kinked tails, so long as it's not visible. So, I'm not sure why our breed would be saying that we're moving backwards when this is something that is really very minor to us and we already have other breeds who are accepted using the language that we would like to utilize. **Newkirk:** Any other comments? Thank you for your input, Alene. I'll call the vote on proposal #2. All those in favor of Proposal #2 raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan, Eigenhauser, Calhoun, Dunham, Mastin, Krzanowski, P. Moser and Colilla voting no.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Sharon Roy, Rachel Anger, Howard Webster, Pam DelaBar, Brian Moser, Kenny Currle, Steve McCullough, Cyndy Byrd, Hayata-san. Lower your hands. All those opposed raise your hand. We have Melanie Morgan, George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Cathy Dunham, Rich Mastin, Carol Krzanowski, Pam Moser, John Colilla. Any abstentions? Carol Krzanowski abstains. **Krzanowski:** I'm sorry, I mean to take my hand down. I was a no. **Newkirk:** You were a no, OK. So no abstentions. Rachel would you announce the vote? **Anger:** Nine yes votes, eight no votes, zero abstentions. **Newkirk:** OK, so the motion is agreed to.

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LYKOI

Action Item. *Advance the Lykoi to Provisional status.*

Newkirk: Shall we move on to advancing the Lykoi? Is that next? **Bennett:** Yes, that's the last item for us. The Lykoi Breed Committee Chair has submitted a request for the breed to be considered for advancement from Miscellaneous to Provisional. The breed has been in Miscellaneous class for three years, including the COVID period where they were not able to be shown. Examples have been shown in all CFA regions, with the exception of Japan. I did a review of the Miscellaneous reports that I got from Annette in preparation for this meeting last week and what I see is that the vast majority of judges do agree that this is a unique breed, that is worthy of eventually being in Championship class. However, the comments are overwhelmingly that they would like to see more consistency and that they would like to see larger classes. The vast majority of them were classes of one, so they could not compare breeds one to the other, so the judges were asking for more entries and more consistency between those entries.

Anger: I do have the motion set out there, to advance the breed, although we generally do the deliberations in executive session. I don't know if we need a motion to move the deliberations there. Of course, we would like the presentation in open session but the deliberation should be in executive session. **Eigenhauser:** I'm not sure why we would need to deliberate this in executive session, but to address the substance, the first Lykoi I ever saw was before they even applied to CFA. I saw them at a pet fair. After you reach a certain age, you start to think you've seen everything, and then I saw a Lykoi. They are absolutely unique. They are beautiful. I would love to see them competing in CFA and I support their advancement at this time. **Currle:** I echo what George just said. He just beat me to it. They are one of a kind and they certainly meet the criteria I think that we are looking for as an organization. **Calhoun:** I agree. It's definitely a unique breed. They are quirky, they're funny, they're loving, they are easy to live with. They show well. More numbers will come. This year, everybody has been put on hold pretty much because of the pandemic, so there hasn't been a lot of opportunity to increase numbers and get them out there, but there's a lot of passion behind this breed and I definitely support it.

Morgan: I want to start out, and Jacqui I don't mean this as a negative, but I'm incredibly concerned that we're even considering something like this without having actually seen the results of the reports that we as judges put together when we handle these cats. As a board, we're used to seeing a summary of those reports pretty much at every February meeting, and not having that for any of the Miscellaneous breeds puts us at a severe disadvantage, so I'm going to put that out there first of all. I appreciate that at least we have looked through them and you gave us a verbal summary of them. I think it was a very good overview. However, those summaries give us other information as well. There may have been 120 cats shown, but of those that have gone out to shows, there might have only been 30. As it was, I count a little over 50 unique cats, etc., etc., so those reports – it takes a lot of time to put them together, but it's an important exercise. So, that's my first issue. My second issue is the fact that there's only two breed committee members bothers me immensely. To address what someone said earlier, I don't disagree. I think this breed is indeed very unique. I think they belong as one of our breeds, but they are allowed to be on the show bench right now and where, in my opinion, they should be; which is, in the Miscellaneous class, which is a class that gives us the opportunity to open an intense dialogue between the breeders and the judges. That opportunity goes away as we move

forward into these other divisions. That's why the Miscellaneous class is probably one of the most important places for a new breed to spend some time, so that they can start to develop and fine tune those breed standards, and get a feel for where they really are. The breed hasn't shown me the consistency that tells me they are ready to progress to the next stage, and I think that from what Jacqui said, the other judges have had similar comments on that. I agree that Kathy mentioned that the breed has fallen prey to the COVID issue. I agree with that, and that may be a problem we need to look at, but not just for the Lykoi, for all of our Miscellaneous breeds. Perhaps that's something that we could have Breeds and Standards look at and come back, and perhaps adjust our requirements in terms of timeframes, etc., but I don't think the Lykoi has met their burden of proof in this particular instance. I don't believe we have the supporting data and I think the proposal is premature. Sorry to go on so long, but that's it. **Newkirk:** That's OK. Jacqui, can you clarify something? Have you gotten any judges' reports since you took over the Committee on the Lykoi? **Bennett:** I was just going to speak to that. The lack of the Excel spreadsheet of which Melanie is speaking was a combination of a misunderstanding as to where that came from. Annette did indeed mail me hard copies of all of the things. She had not entered any for the 2020 season at the time I got the stack of them. I did not realize I was supposed to put them into the spreadsheet. That was my misunderstanding and I will take care of that going forward obviously and put all those in. I did review them in preparation for this meeting, but I did not understand that I was to populate the spreadsheet. I thought it came from Central Office. Of course, there have been no new submissions because there have been no exhibits from June when we were appointed to this up until August/September when this proposal was written. So, the spreadsheet that I did receive had none of the data entered from what had been submitted for the beginning of the 2020 show season, and of course the 2020 show season from March until May there were no entries. I didn't know that I needed to take all that backlog of paperwork and update that spreadsheet. The spreadsheet I have is exactly what Rachel was showing you for 2019. I thought it was updated by Central Office. That is my mistake, and I will update that and give it to you for the April board meeting. **Newkirk:** I appreciate you taking the responsibility, but had those evaluations been entered in the spreadsheet when you took over, then we would have had the data. Is that correct? **Bennett:** Yes, sir. **Newkirk:** OK. So, the past Breeds and Standards chair got the reports but didn't put the data in the spreadsheet. Is that correct? **Bennett:** Yes, sir. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you. **Morgan:** Going back to what we were talking about with those spreadsheets and reports, they come in batches. They don't come on a regular basis, they come in big chunks and generally they are not made available to the board until February. Generally, the time that Breeds and Standards in the past has put those together has been December and January with a whole pile. It depends on how you might want to do work, but not having been input was not at all unusual, at least not when I was doing it. So, just for the record. **Newkirk:** That's fine, that's fine.

Currle: Let's don't discourage these newer breeds. Let's give them a bump up and they can continue to grow. I'll go ahead and ask this question. We need them in the show ring. I just don't want to keep throwing up roadblocks as breeds come in. **Calhoun:** I also wanted to add – and I know this is not in our matrix, but I think it's important for the board to know that at the last World Cat Congress meeting, the Lykoi was featured because of its global presence. The fact that the World Cat Congress wanted to ensure that people that were there understood the breed and it was a presentation. I actually did it, so I know this for a fact. I think that was quite an honor. I think that was quite a honor. I just wanted to make sure that the board was aware. **Newkirk:** I don't think we will have to worry about too many look-alikes from the Lykoi.

DelaBar: We had a feature of the Lykoi at our show in Estonia and not only was it a selling point to get people into the show, but it really was neat to see the other colors besides the black with the roaning, which we are all used to seeing. I think that if more clubs do this and promote the Lykoi when we are allowed to have spectators back again, I think it will be a big boost to get people in the door again. **Newkirk:** Alright, I don't see any other hands up so let's call a vote on this. All those in favor of advancing the Lykoi to Provisional breed status, please raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Morgan voting no. Anger abstained.

Newkirk: Those voting yes are Pam DelaBar, Brian Moser, Carol Krzanowski, Howard Webster, Pam Moser, Sharon Roy, Steve McCullough, George Eigenhauser, Kathy Calhoun, Kenny Curre, Cyndy Byrd, Rich Mastin, Cathy Dunham, John Colilla, Hayata-san. If you will take your hands down, those voting no raise your hands. Cathy Dunham is a no and Melanie Morgan is a no. **Dunham:** Actually, I was a yes, Darrell. **Newkirk:** Alright. Cathy Dunham is a yes, Melanie Morgan is a no. Is there any abstentions? Rachel Anger abstains. Rachel, you can announce the vote when you have it tabulated. **Anger:** Fifteen yes votes, one no vote, one abstention. **Newkirk:** Alright, great.

Approval	1. 50 % Vote of CFA Executive Board. 2. At the discretion of the CFA Executive Board.
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Matrix Advancement Requirements

Number of Breeders	25 Active Breeders
Application	Must include list of 25 active breeders including cattery names, cattery numbers, and addresses.

Due to confidentiality issues, see attached Exhibit 1 listing 38 catteries.

Classification Information	1. Meet classification requirements for Miscellaneous status. 2. Cutoff Date for breeds allowed in background ancestry. 3. At least one CFA breed club. 4. Sufficient facts to demonstrate potential value to the fancy of the proposed breed, the differences between the proposed breed and existing recognized breeds.
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BREED CLASSIFICATION INFORMATION

Outcross Breed(s) Allowed in Pedigree:	Domestic Shorthair
Category of New Breed:	☐ Longhair ☒ Shorthair

Outcross Breed(s) Requested for Future Use:	N/A
Proposed Cut-Off Date(s) for Use of Outcross:	N/A
Breed Classification:	☐ Natural* ☐ Established ☐ Hybrid ☒ Mutation *Natural classification should be accompanied by import verification or certification with import and ancestry information.
Number of Generations Required for Pedigree:	3
Unknown Ancestry Permitted:	☒ Yes ☐ No

BREED CLUB INFORMATION

Registered Club Name:	World Lykoi Association	
Nature of Club Interest:	Breed Club	
Officer Names:	President: Vice President: Secretary: Treasurer:	Renee Spahr Desiree Bobby Ethel Pedlar Kathy Calhoun

Number of Registered Cats	100 Cats of New Breed
Length of Time	Registrations must occur over a period of not less than 5 years.

Due to confidentiality issues, see attached Exhibit 2 listing 223 cats.

Number of Shown Cats	25 Cats of New Breed
Documentation of Shown Cats	1. Proof that cats have been shown including CFA registration number, Cat's name, dates shown, and name of show. 2. Cats shown in All CFA Regions.

Due to confidentiality issues, see attached Exhibit 3 listing registration numbers and cat names.

SHOWS THAT LYKOI HAVE BEEN EXHIBITED AT

Show Name	Show Start Date	Show Region
Nat'l Norwegian Forest Cat Br Club	2/22/2020	1
Straight And Curl Cat Club	12/21/2019	1
Garden State Cat Club Of New Jersey	7/20/2019	1
Burmilla Enthusiasts Of America	12/22/2019	1

Garden State Cat Club Of New Jersey	7/21/2018	1
Lewis & Clark LH Specialty	12/1/2018	2
Puget Sound Cat Club	4/13/2019	2
Emerald Cat Club	1/5/2019	2
Seattle Cat Club	2/2/2019	2
Mckenzie River Cat Club	3/9/2019	2
Foot Of The Rockies Cat Club	9/28/2019	3
Thumbs Up Cat Fanciers	9/14/2019	4
Just Cat-In Around CF	12/14/2019	4
The Bengal Alliance	7/29/2018	4
Great Lakes Regional	6/23/2018	4
Motor City Jazz Club	7/28/2018	4
Thumbs Up Cat Fanciers	9/15/2018	4
Opposites Attract Cat Club	8/24/2019	5
Lincoln State Cat Club	2/22/2020	6
Cotton States Cat Club	11/2/2019	7
Capital Cat Fanciers	11/9/2019	7
Freestate Feline Fanciers	9/29/2019	7
Carolina Sophisticats	2/15/2020	7
Crab And Mallet Cat Club	3/15/2020	7
New Vision Cat Club	9/21/2019	7
Rebel Rousers Cat Club	8/17/2019	7
GEMS	7/27/2019	7
International Egyptian Mau Society	7/28/2019	7
Rebel Rousers Cat Club	5/6/2018	7
GEMS	7/28/2018	7
Star City Cat Fanciers	1/26/2019	7
Hidden Peak Cat Club	8/11/2018	7
New Vision Cat Club	5/5/2018	7
Ocicats International	9/1/2018	7
Midlantic Pers-Himmie Fanciers	3/30/2019	7
Cat-H-Art	5/18/2019	9
American Shorthair Lovers Of Europe	2/29/2020	9
Jardin Des Korats	9/21/2019	9
Cleopella Cat Fanciers Of Estonia	11/3/2018	9
Chatte Noir Club	3/2/2019	9
Cat-H-Art	3/9/2019	9
CFA International Show-Teal	10/12/2019	13
CFA International Show-Purple	10/12/2019	13
CFA International Cat Show-Teal	10/13/2018	13

Breed Standard

Lykoi (Miscellaneous Category) POINT SCORE		BODY	
HEAD (30) Face (Muzzle/Chin/Nose).....10 Size/Shape.....5 Ears.....5 Eyes.....5 Profile.....5		STRUCTURE: Conformation strikes a medium between slightly slendered, semi-foreign and the elegance of the foreign body type. Proportion and larger balance allowed in males. Neck is medium length; neither thin nor overly muscular.	
BODY (25) Structure/Size including Neck.....10 Musculature.....5 Legs/Feet.....5 Tail.....5		MUSCULATURE: Solid weight, showing muscular strength without excessive bulk.	
COAT (45) Texture (Density).....15 Color/Roaning.....15 Mask.....15		LEGS/FEET: Legs and feet are sparsely haired. Medium boning; medium length. Feet appear refined and oval shaped. Toes are long in appearance.	
GENERAL: The "Lykoi", which in greek, roughly translates to "wolf", is a breed derived from a naturally occurring mutation found in the feral cat population. The Lykoi is a partially hairless breed of cat with a coat that is unique to them.		TAIL: Tail is shorter than body and tapers to a point.	
A combination of 3 distinct traits set the Lykoi apart from all other breeds. 1) Roaning; an amelanistic color pattern of intermixed white and colored guard hairs. The pattern is found in other animals, such as horses, but has not been noted in any other breed of cat. 2) A lack of undercoat. 3) Sparse hair on legs, feet and face mask which gives the appearance of a werewolf.		COAT The coat of the Lykoi is what sets this breed apart. It is important to differentiate the undercoat, the guard hairs, and the roaning. Undercoat should be lacking over the entire body. Guard hairs cover the body, but are very sparse or completely lacking on the legs, feet, back of ears, and mask (eyes, nose, muzzle, chin.)	
The physical impression of the Lykoi is a striking cat with no undercoat and intermixed guard hairs that cover an elegant, semi-foreign body. The large, bright, walnut shaped eyes combined with the distinct partial hairlessness around the eyes, nose, muzzle and chin give the Lykoi a mythical, werewolf-like appearance. Lykoi have short to medium hair with varying degrees of guard hair density and roaning, dependent upon coat cycle and base coat color. Coat is rough in appearance but soft and silky to the touch. The high and erect ears, sitting atop a triangular head with rounded contours, paint an accurate picture of a very curious and inquisitive cat. The Lykoi, a very active cat, prefers hunting over cuddling, yet insists on human attention and interaction.		Lykoi have a grizzled appearance due to the amelanistic guard hairs intermixed with colored coat.	
HEAD FACE (MUZZLE/CHIN/NOSE): The face is a less extreme foreign type. Muzzle is medium in length; fleshy, gently rounded hairless whisker pads with a definite whisker break. Muzzle ends with a well-developed chin, aligned vertically with nose; full but neither projecting or receding. Nose is hairless and leathery to the touch, slightly rounded down at the end, and gives the appearance of a mask when connecting with the hairless areas around or surrounding the eyes.		COAT TEXTURE: Soft to the touch. Short to medium; undercoat is lacking; longer guard hairs cover body with coat coverage varying depending on cycle of hair.	
HEAD SHAPE: The head is a modified wedge with rounded contours from nose to cheeks to ears. Slightly rounded forehead. Slightly longer than wide.		COLOR/ROANING: Colored hairs and amelanistic white hairs are intermixed throughout the coat, with each hair either colored or white, from root to tip. The accepted range of colored hair percentage is 30 to 70%, with 50% being ideal.	
EARS: Tall, open at the base, rounded tips and set high on the head, vertical and erect.		MASK: The face exhibits a hairless mask connecting the nose, muzzle, eyes and ears giving the classic werewolf appearance.	
EYES: Large, walnut shaped, slanting upward with an open expression. Hairless rims desirable.		LYKOI COLORS GENERAL: Solid color cat express the characteristic coat more dramatically. Therefore only solid colors (including white) and solid colors with mink/point/sepia patterns are acceptable to be shown. Amelanistic (roan) pattern in the coat will vary in appearance depending on color.	
PROFILE: A concave curve from brow to bridge. No stop.		AOV: All other colors and patterns (tortoiseshell, blue/cream, bicolor, etc.)	
		LOCKETS: White lockets, buttons and belly spots are allowed.	
		OTHER ALLOWANCES: Degree of sparseness of guard hair varies from almost completely hairless to almost completely coated during molting and phases of hair growth. Eyes to be smaller in proportion to head in cats less than 8 months. Allow for stud jowls in males. Males may be substantially larger than females. Pigmentation spots due to full tanning of skin may occur when exposed to sunlight.	
		PENALIZE: More than sparse undercoat. Less than sparse guard hairs.	
		DISQUALIFY: Any evidence of illness or poor health. Visible tail kink. Aggressive behavior endangering the judge.	
		<i>The following information is for reference purposes only and not an official part of the CFA Show Standard.</i>	
		Lykoi Color Class Number	
		All Colors 8700	8701
		Lykoi allowable outcross breeds: Domestic Shorthair.	

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Newkirk: Jacqui, does that conclude your report? **Bennett:** With one final thing. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my committee. We have worked very, very hard. Anne Mathis, Michael Shelton, Teresa Keiger, Krista Schmidt, Donna Isenberg and myself. We again

apologize for the mistakes we made and hope that you have confidence in us to do a better job next year. We are committed to improving and doing these processes in the best way possible for CFA and we thank you for your support and confidence in us. **Newkirk:** I think you guys have done a fabulous job. I commend you all for the high quality that you've given us. It's all a learning process. This was your initial voyage, as they say, and you will be out for your second one next year, so we look forward to great things from your committee. Thank you and your committee and everybody involved. **Bennett:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** Thanks, Jacqui.

Newkirk: That concludes the Breeds and Standards.

(24) **BOARD MEMBERS' GUIDEBOOK.**

Committee Chair: Pam DelaBar
List of Committee Members: Cyndi Byrd, Shelley Perkins

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Activities:

Previous versions of the Board Members' Guidebook were reviewed to remove repetitious sections and verbiage. Sections of the Guidebook were rewritten using the "KISS" principle for accuracy and clarity.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Final draft prepared for board review.

Future Projections for Committee:

Finalize typing of Table of Contents and Appendix A, Robert's Rules of Order and final review of legal entries.

Board Action Items:

Move approval of submitted Guidebook (enclosure 1) pending addition of the Robert's Rules of Order.

Time Frame:

However long it takes to receive the final legal review and updated Appendix A for Robert's Rules of Order.

What Will be presented at the Next Meeting:

Hopefully the updated Guidebook will be distributed to all board members by 2 March 2021.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Pam DelaBar, Chair*

[Secretary's Note: The following discussion regarding the Board Members' Guidebook was moved to executive session during the Orders of the Day. At the conclusion of the discussion, it was decided to include the transcript with open session material. That discussion appears below.]

Newkirk: OK, Pam DelaBar, you are up with the Board Members' Handbook. **DelaBar:** Under the Guidebook, the reason I asked for it in executive session is that in the past, the past two iterations of it, it was proprietary information, which is basically confidential information for board members. First of all, I'm going to apologize for my typing. I realize it didn't come up here, but in File Vista you can tell that Windows 10 is not my friend. I have found a way to do it better, and when I type it up so we have something that looks legible, I have figured that out.

Basically, I went through and stripped out stuff that was extraneous, I didn't think we needed pictures of what Central Office looks like on the corner of Main Street in Alliance, Ohio. Allene was great in coming up with the Central Office staffing by adding who does what to whom, and I put in I thought a fairly good description of what everybody is supposed to be doing. Under Regional Directors, it's quite extensive, but then again the Regional Director's role is rather extensive. I still would like to have a legal review of such terms as "fiduciary responsibility" to make sure I got that correctly. I am not a lawyer, I'm a retired Army officer. I am still waiting on the addition of Robert's Rules of Order. Once I get those two, I can add those and put everything together and give to you all. Basically, what I'm asking is, please either approve or give me suggestions of what you would like to see in addition to the handbook. As I said, I hope I'm not causing anybody eye strain. I do apologize for my horrendous typing and misuse of the Microsoft Word program.

Newkirk: I think what we need is for you to continue on until it's complete and can be brought back for a final vote, Pam. **DelaBar:** I'm trying. **Newkirk:** I know you are. I know you are, and we appreciate the update. We know that you're working hard, and I know you have to develop a table of contents first. Then, I had mentioned to you I think in an email – I don't know if I did or not, I thought it but may not have went through with it – but we need those sections, those appendixes for what is closed session and open session. We want to make sure we don't leave those out. Probably an updated online virtual guidelines for board meetings, or whatever that addendum, appendix – **DelaBar:** I thought I put that in there, in the body of it, Darrell. I'll go back and review. It might have gotten stripped out. I still need the appendix for Robert's Rules of Order. I cannot do a table of contents without it. **Newkirk:** Yes, I understand that. I'm assuming that Shelly and Cindy are working on that. They may want to address that.

McCullough: I'm concerned about the proprietary information that's on the book. Since I was involved in the lawsuit and James Watson gave the book to the defendants, the judge said there's nothing proprietary in it. I questioned John Randolph and he said there's nothing proprietary in it, because it's all copy and pasted. So, I didn't know why it was on there. I asked Dick Kallmeyer and he said it shouldn't have been on there to begin with and they don't know where it came from. **Newkirk:** I've questioned that in the past, too, Steve, because I don't think this should be held back from view from other people. **Eigenhauser:** I was going to talk about something else, but first let me say I agree with Steve and Darrell. I would rather get this information out there.

Eigenhauser: I do have two small suggestions when you're editing. I really like the part where it has all the contact information for Central Office, but I think one of the reasons we never updated it was because it's in the middle of the document. When you have information that changes constantly, really, because we have turn-over at Central Office, it's better to stick it in an appendix so that it's more easily substituted as it changes. **DelaBar:** That's good, George. **Eigenhauser:** That was the one suggestion. **Newkirk:** That's a good idea, George. **DelaBar:** Yeah, good idea. **Eigenhauser:** The other thing is, I have a problem with one small thing in the information for new board members, and this was probably carried over from an earlier version, but it says, "The CFA Board of Directors has three board meetings mandated by the constitution." No, we don't. We have one and a half. The June meeting is mandated by the constitution. In the board of directors part it doesn't mandate a February board meeting, but it says Breeds and Standards are brought up in February, so it implies a board meeting. The

October board meeting is purely optional. So, my suggestion is to change it from “mandated” to “traditional” or something else to show that these are our big meetings, but I don’t think it is correct the way it is. **Newkirk:** Great suggestions, George. I had questioned that constitutional mandate myself in the past.

Mastin: Pam, nice job. I know this is a lot of work putting these together. Thank you for doing it. I’m not sure about this. Maybe it is correct, maybe it isn’t. The first line on the CFA objectives, you have listed, “The association shall be [a not-for-profit organization],” it is. Does it matter if it’s “shall be” or “is”? It is a not-for-profit. I don’t know that that matters one way or another. **DelaBar:** Rich, the sad thing is that I’m talking to you on the machine I actually have the handbook on. If you hang on a second, I will bring up File Vista. **Mastin:** Maybe Shelly knows if one way is right or wrong. **Newkirk:** Shelly, do you want to weigh in on that? **Byrd:** That’s just the way it is in the constitution. It’s the wording from the constitution. **Mastin:** OK, thank you. Then the other thing I wanted to point out, and Pam I think you did a very nice job, was the Board of Directors Code of Ethics. I think maybe that’s the section you’re referring to, Darrell, that outlines the “shall not disclose to any others the following information or property of CFA.” I remember we did this maybe a year and a half ago. I can’t remember when we finally – I know it took us a year and a half to get it finally approved, but we updated it and I’m glad to see that’s in there, thank you. **DelaBar:** There’s that last one there, Rich. What they were talking about for the proprietary information is what’s on the front of the guidebook. It has been there since we first did the guidebook back in 2007. **Mastin:** OK. **DelaBar:** That was James Watson, part of the Personnel Committee, that first put this together after we had a personnel survey of Central Office and the board.

Perkins: I just wanted to make sure everybody knows that Cyndy Byrd has sent out an email to the Legal Advisory Committee. She’s going to do the first review of the guidebook, and then we’re all going to provide input after her first review, so I think that we are prepared to move forward with our review shortly, depending on Cyndy’s timeline. **Newkirk:** Shelly, would it be appropriate for us to have a motion to remove the proprietary from this guidebook? **DelaBar:** I don’t think we need a motion, Darrell. **Newkirk:** Well, you’ve got it in there. **DelaBar:** It’s been there forever. **Eigenhauser:** Just have Pam take it out of the next draft and the board will ratify it when we approve it. **Perkins:** Right. I don’t think we need a motion. We’re revising the guidebook right now. That’s part of what we’re looking to achieve. **Newkirk:** Alright. I just wanted it covered because Steve and George and I have made comments that we didn’t think it should be, so as long as Pam is willing to take it off voluntarily before it’s presented to us for ratification. Thank you, appreciate it.

Newkirk: Anything else, Pam? You said you had one other thing you wanted to bring up in closed session. **DelaBar:** No, I already did. That was the World of Cats. **Newkirk:** Oh, oh. Alright, so that was on the agenda already. **DelaBar:** While I’m revising some of this stuff, if anybody has anything, just send me an email. I would be happy to work with it.

(25) CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE.

Committee Chair: Cyndy Byrd
List of Committee Members: George Eigenhauser, Ed Raymond, Shelly Perkins

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

The Legal Advisory Committee has been preparing items for presentation to the delegates at the 2021 Annual Meeting. These include amendments to the CFA Certificate of Incorporation and Constitution. These changes are necessary to bring CFA's governing documents into compliance with New York Not-For-Profit Corporation Law.

Discussion Items:

1. *The Board is requested to discuss and make recommendations for the Restatement of the Certificate of Incorporation item, below, for presentation to the delegates at the 2021 Annual Meeting. Passage requires a simple majority vote for approval.*

Newkirk: Let's go to #25, which is Cyndy Byrd. **Byrd:** These are two big pieces that we need to consider here. Our Certificate of Incorporation, which is the first part, is really old. It comes from 1919. A number of paragraphs need to be deleted, including the names and addresses of directors from 1919, because it just doesn't make any sense anymore, and we need to comply with New York non-profit law. The Restated Certificate is very simple. It describes our organization for today and I think well into the future. The board will need to approve the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, and then it will need to be presented to the delegates at the annual meeting for an approval by majority vote. **Newkirk:** OK. Cyndy, is that a requirement of New York not-for-profit law that the delegates have to approve a change to the Articles of Incorporation? **Byrd:** Yes, and also part of our constitution. **Newkirk:** I don't see – maybe I'm dense, but it just says, *Incorporated under New York corporate law October 6, 1919*. That would need to be changed, I understand. I was under the impression, and I'm probably wrong, that the board could change the Articles of Incorporation but we can't change the constitution. The Articles of Incorporation are not specifically listed in the constitution. It's just a question I need clarified in my mind. **Byrd:** George can help. **Eigenhauser:** We asked our New York attorney and she advised us that in this instance, because we didn't have something different in our constitution and bylaws, it has to go to the members. This is done on her advice. **Newkirk:** OK, that's fine. I don't have a problem with that. I was just trying to – there's a clause at the very end of our constitution about amendments, which is Article XVI. There's no mention in here that the Articles of Incorporation had to be approved by the membership, but I'm good with it if that's what the recommendation was. **Byrd:** That was her recommendation for that. **Newkirk:** OK, no problem. **Byrd:** I think if you've read this, you can see where the changes need to be made. Allene, if you could go up, down, whichever. You can see here what paragraphs need to be deleted, so obviously the third paragraph, because we no longer only do business in the United States and Canada. Our number of directors is not accurate. The names and places of residence – those are those people from 1919 that are still listed, and that is unnecessary. Then the time for holding annual meetings used to be on the last Thursday in February, so we haven't been following that, either. We just need to update so that our certificate describes the way we do

business and is in compliance with New York law and our constitution. A little lower down you can see what it will actually look like. This is all legal stuff, and then the actual restated certificate is on the next page. My request of the board today is, any comments or suggestions? I think this one is pretty straightforward, but will need to be approved by the board. It was the thought not to ask for approval at this meeting, but to give everyone a chance to think and add any comments or questions.

DelaBar: Cyndy, I am so happy you were able to get this accomplished. Fred Jacobberger tried very hard way back when to get the Articles of Incorporation updated. I do not know, I cannot remember what was so difficult or the problem that we had with New York, but thank you for getting this accomplished. **Byrd:** Thanks to our lawyer. **Newkirk:** Shelly is top notch and the attorney there is top notch. Should there be a comma before 2021? **Byrd:** Yes. I'm taking notes. **Newkirk:** That's the only thing that stood out to me. What is it, April 15th is the cutoff for the amendments and resolutions? **Tartaglia:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK.

Suggested Rationale: *The CFA was originally incorporated in October 1919. Over the more than 100 years since the incorporation New York Not-For-Profit Corporation Law has changed. Our Certificate of Incorporation is out-of-date and must be changed to comply with current law and our current business practices. The changes required and the Restatement of the Certificate of Incorporation are presented below:*

Changes to be made to the CFA Articles of Incorporation:

Paragraph FIRST: The particular objects for which this corporation is to be formed are as follows: The registration of the pedigrees of cats and kitten; the promulgation of rules for the management of shows; the promotion of interests of breeders and exhibitors; and the improvement of the breeds of cats. ~~in the United States and Canada.~~

~~Paragraph THIRD: The territory in which its operations are to be principally conducted is the United States and Canada.~~

~~Paragraph FIFTH: The number of its directors is to be seven (7).~~

~~Paragraph SIXTH: The names and places of residence of the persons to be its directors until its first annual meeting, are as follows: [list of names and addresses of CFA directors in 1919]~~

~~Paragraph SEVENTH: The time for holding its annual meeting is to be on the last Thursday in February in each year.~~

All other paragraphs shall be renumbered.

Upon approval of a majority vote of the members, the restated Certificate of Incorporation will read:

**RESTATED
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED
Under Section 805 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law**

The undersigned, being the President of The Cat Fanciers' Association, Incorporated (the "Corporation"), for the purpose of amending and restating the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation pursuant to Section 805 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York (the "N-PCL"), hereby certifies:

- (1) The name of the Corporation is The Cat Fanciers' Association, Incorporated.
- (2) The Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation was filed by the Department of State on October 6, 1919, pursuant to the Membership Corporations Law.
- (3) The Corporation is a corporation as defined in subparagraph (a)(5) of Section 102 of the N-PCL.
- (4) This amended and restated Certificate of Incorporation was duly authorized by the members of the Corporation.
- (5) The Certificate of Incorporation is hereby amended to affect the following:
 - (a) Paragraph FIRST relating to the Corporation's purposes is amended to read in its entirety as follows:

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are the registration of the pedigrees of cats and kittens; the promulgation of rules for the management of shows; the promotion of the interests of breeders and exhibitors; and the improvement of the breeds of cats.

- (b) Paragraph THIRD relating to the territory in which operations are principally to be conducted is hereby deleted in its entirety.
 - (c) Paragraph FIFTH relating to the number of directors is hereby deleted in its entirety.
 - (d) Paragraph SIXTH setting forth the names and addresses of the initial directors is omitted in its entirety.
 - (e) Paragraph SEVENTH relating to the annual meeting is hereby deleted in its entirety.
 - (f) The remaining paragraphs shall be re-numbered.

(6) The Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation is restated as amended herein to read in its entirety as follows:

**CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED**

FIRST: The name of the Corporation is The Cat Fanciers' Association, Incorporated.

SECOND: The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are the registration of the pedigrees of cats and kittens; the promulgation of rules for the management of shows; the promotion of the interests of breeders and exhibitors; and the improvement of the breeds of cats.

THIRD: Its principal office is to be located in the Borough of Brooklyn, City and State of New York.

FOURTH: The address to which the Secretary of State shall forward copies of process accepted on behalf of the corporation is c/o Paracorp Incorporated, 2804 Gateway Oaks Drive #200, Sacramento, CA 95833.

FIFTH: Paracorp Incorporated is designated as agent of the Corporation upon whom process against the corporation may be served. The street address of the registered agent is 2804 Gateway Oaks Drive #200, Sacramento, CA 95833.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have made and subscribed this certificate and hereby affirm under the penalties of perjury that its contents are true this ____ day of _____, 2021.

Name: Darrell Newkirk
Title: President

For the Board's information: In the new fourth and fifth paragraph, Paracorp Incorporated is designated as agent of the CFA. A registered agent is an individual or entity which has been designated to receive service of process notices, government correspondence and compliance-related documents on behalf of the corporation. Having a registered agent is a typical and necessary business practice. Our registered agent, Paracorp, assures someone is always available to receive service of legal and governmental documents and then forward them to CFA.

McCullough: I have a question. Is our principle office in Brooklyn? Where is it in Brooklyn? **Byrd:** I have no idea about that, but I relied on the work of our attorney in New York. I can certainly ask that question, or actually have Shelly ask that question, since she's our contact person. **Newkirk:** Shelly has her hand up and would like to make some comments. **Perkins:** Allene, if you can scroll back up to the final document. I'm not sure if we are still staying with Paracorp Incorporated in Sacramento, so that address may change. I just want to just check with Anita in our lawyer's office if that's the correct address that we're going to stay with, because that's probably old data from when this was originally prepared, and so I just wanted to make sure that they're still our agent and that's who we want to be our agent, because we have made some changes. **Byrd:** Could you also ask her about the Brooklyn thing. **Perkins:** I'm sorry, what? **Byrd:** Paragraph 3. Third paragraph, *Its principal office is to be located in the Borough of*

Brooklyn. **Perkins:** I'm going to ask about the addresses for 3, 4 and 5, and I'll brief the board. I'm also just going to verify, since I'm already asking her a question and it won't cost us any extra, to make sure that the Articles of Incorporation do have to go to the delegates, and whether or not the board can just pass that. It's just a question I'll ask, since I'm already asking questions. **Byrd:** Thank you. **Newkirk:** And so, is it you all's intention to bring this back at the April meeting for approval? **Byrd:** Yes, it is. **Newkirk:** This really needs to get done. We've been so out of compliance for so many years on this, so this really needs to be updated.

Newkirk: Do you have something else, Steve or Shelly? **McCullough:** Yes, which is kind of, I don't know how to address it. How does our charter change with all of these changes, or is it based off the charter still? You all have a blank look. **Newkirk:** I think the charter is the Articles of Incorporation, isn't it? **McCullough:** No, no. It's on file at Central Office. **Newkirk:** I didn't understand what you said, Steve. **McCullough:** The charter is on file at Central Office. It is not Articles of Incorporation. Maybe you all should look at that. **Byrd:** Allene, will you be able to send that to me, please? **Tartaglia:** I don't know exactly what that is. We have the Articles of Incorporation, we have the IRS ruling. I'm not sure what the charter is. **McCullough:** That's what established all this prior to the Articles of Incorporation, prior to us becoming incorporated. We had to use it in our lawsuit, so I know you have it somewhere. If I find the copy, I'll send it to you all. **Newkirk:** OK. **McCullough:** Thanks.

2. *The Board is requested to discuss and make recommendations for the Amendments of CFA Constitution item, below, for presentation to the delegates at the 2021 Annual Meeting. Passage requires a 3/4 majority vote for approval.*

Newkirk: Go ahead Cyndy with the constitution now. **Byrd:** Certainly, the constitution has been a really big, multi-year project and it has arrived at this point with the help of many people, and I want to make sure that they are recognized. Our current committee was fortunate to receive all of this work done by Mary Auth's committee, both the Constitution Committee and the Regional Incorporation Committee, and I want to thank all of those who worked on the huge project, including Mary and Pam Moser, Kathy Calhoun, George, Rachel and Rich. This year, as we finalize the document, thanks to George, Shelly and Rich, and Carol for her edits, and a huge thanks to Rachel for reformatting and checking everything. She's a whiz. If I have forgotten anybody, many thanks to them. We all know how difficult it is to ask the annual meeting delegates to pass changes with 3/4 [*sic*, 2/3] approval, which is what we will need. There are many changes to the constitution, but most are not very complex. They are generally only making changes that describe how we already do business or clarify terms. There are additions that are required by New York law – obviously, New York, because that's where we are incorporated – but most only clarify how we actually do business. The changes are noted and the reason for each given. Next month, we'll ask the board's approval of the constitution, which will then be presented to the delegates for their 3/4 [*sic*, 2/3] approval, and we all hope good luck for that. I welcome your comments and thank you in advance for your thoughts. **Newkirk:** I think the constitution can be amended by 2/3, not 3/4. **Byrd:** Oops, yes. It's my fraction problem.

DelaBar: Cyndy, would you prefer that we send this to you in writing if we have some suggestions? **Byrd:** Absolutely. **DelaBar:** One major question; in reviewing the constitution, do we have a force majeure paragraph in there? **Byrd:** We do, with regard to annual meetings. It is not stated as force majeure. I'll have to look a little bit to find it. **DelaBar:** I'm still looking.

Newkirk: I read it. It's in there. **Byrd:** I can look now or I can send that to you. **DelaBar:** OK. We can send each other emails, then. I just thought it would be better to do it in writing. I'm a visual learner, not an auditory one. **Newkirk:** Any other questions? **Byrd:** This section is the actual constitution with the changes, as would be presented to the delegates. **Newkirk:** Allene, just slowly go ahead and scroll through it so everybody can take a quick look, in case it might stimulate someone's mind to ask a question.

Byrd: Another thought that George and Rich and I have emailed about is how to present this to the delegates. It might be easier to do it in sections. My thought was, the list of changes that I noted. I also thought about the possibility of posting this ahead of time, maybe on CFA Next Gen and encouraging conversation so that maybe the delegates will be better prepared to pass it, and can ask any questions ahead. **Newkirk:** I don't know what we're going to do if the delegates won't approve this, because our constitution is not in line with New York not-for-profit law, and we have to be. We don't have a choice. **Byrd:** I think that can be expressed. **Newkirk:** I can sure express it when it gets called up.

Newkirk: I have one more question. I served for about 35 minutes on this committee at one point in time. The New York not-for-profit law states "bylaws," it doesn't state "constitution," so did you all question Anita about changing the word "constitution" to "bylaws"? Because "bylaws" is throughout New York not-for-profit law. All the way through every section that I've read, "constitution" is not mentioned. **Byrd:** That's correct. It was George's wise counsel to not make any changes that we didn't absolutely have to make, and the thought was that changing "constitution" to "bylaws" may be one of those changes. **Eigenhauser:** If I may mention, Anita came up with a lot of changes – I mean, a LOT of changes – that she thought would make it a better read. They weren't necessarily substantive, but there were so many of them and they weren't strictly necessary, so part of what we had to discuss is, how big a bite can the delegation swallow all at once? So, we decided to put optional changes like that off the table for now and just go with the bare bones of what we have to pass. Yes, it would be better if we use terminology that is more consistent with what's the current terminology used in New York, but it isn't essential that we do it so we tried to keep this compact. There are a lot of other things, too, that are not included here that were suggestions, and we basically put all the suggestions aside and just went with what we've absolutely got to pass. **Newkirk:** In my humble opinion, I think the delegates, if they are told "constitution" and "bylaws" pretty much mean the same thing, and that "bylaws" is the word that's used in our corporate charter and the laws for New York not-for-profit law, I don't know, I think that's something they could accept. **Byrd:** We certainly could do it. That's not a big issue. **Eigenhauser:** It's not a big issue in isolation, but the cumulative effect of all of the little changes makes it complicated. **Newkirk:** OK, how about doing it this way. Let's get the constitution passed and make a separate motion after this gets passed to change "constitution" to "bylaws," and then if it fails we haven't lost anything, but if it passes we gain something. **Byrd:** We can do that. **Eigenhauser:** That was another thing we discussed, is whether we should put some of the optional changes into separate motions and have like I said, the must-pass provisions and have the other ones separately. That's a judgment call. I mean, how much reading about the constitution can the delegation do without getting overwhelmed? Everybody has an opinion on that. We erred on the side of minimalist.

Anger: I had two things I wanted to bring up. The first one is, many of these changes had to do with just changing the language of “club” to “member club” and I think if we present that, that is going to be half the changes. So, it would be a very simple motion to change all the references from “club” to “member club” – that’s the motion – and then you could give a clip of all those changes. Then, go on to make other groups of changes that fit together like that. Secondly, I think we discussed when this first came up how big the project would be. It was suggested that perhaps we do some sort of, like a Zoom meeting where delegates could attend and we could walk them through the changes one by one, so they understand all the changes and it’s not done during the annual meeting. This could take hours to go through all of these changes. Those are just a couple of thoughts. **Byrd:** Great idea. **Anger:** I think our delegates are pretty sophisticated and can track this. It’s just, as you say Darrell, the overwhelming amount of changes. **Newkirk:** It is an overwhelming amount. I’m confident that our members – you know what? They want to do good for the organization and we are out of compliance with New York not-for-profit corporate law. If they are told we need to make these changes, I mean, I don’t know why the delegates would oppose it, because, I mean, we could lose our charter. Things are not good up in New York right now politically. You’ve got the attorney general going after the governor, but we’re small potatoes. Maybe she will look the other way for us, hopefully.

P. Moser: My question is to one of the lawyers. If you change it to “bylaws,” my understanding – but I am sure I’m wrong – but that would not have to go to the delegation. Bylaws can be changed by the board, and so if it’s “bylaws” instead of “constitution,” that could be an issue. I don’t know. I need somebody to tell me if that’s correct or not. **Newkirk:** It would be an amendment – I’m not a lawyer, OK? – but it would be an amendment to the bylaws and it still requires 2/3, I think. **P. Moser:** That’s why I’m asking one of the lawyers. **Eigenhauser:** The constitution states how it can be amended. If we want to change the constitution in any way, and that includes changing it’s name, we have to follow the procedure currently set forth in the constitution. **P. Moser:** OK, but George, if you change it to bylaws, that’s not the constitution, that’s bylaws. Can you put that in the bylaws that it has to be changed by 2/3 of the vote from the delegation? **Byrd:** That would be in the bylaws, but it would then be a rule of the bylaws that you can’t change the bylaws without 2/3 of the delegates. **Eigenhauser:** The bylaws and the constitution are two names for the same thing. Changing the name means you have to follow the procedure set forth for amending it, because changing the name is amending it, but it won’t substantively change anything. If we call it “bylaws” instead of calling it the “constitution,” it’s still the same document and it still does the same thing. **Perkins:** I just wanted to restate an answer to what Pam Moser brought up, also because we have other people listening. If the constitution says the constitution can only be amended by a 2/3 vote through the delegates, then changing the word “constitution” to “bylaws” simply now makes the constitution be named “bylaws” and the provision says, “the bylaws can only be changed by a 2/3 vote.” So, everywhere the word “constitution” is mentioned, we substitute in the word “bylaws.” It doesn’t even change the document or the way anything is done, it’s just changing the word we always use from “constitution” to “bylaws.” All of the provisions of the entire document remain the same with that one change, just the word we’re using to describe it, which just brings us to match New York law and since we’re trying to follow New York law, then we want to match New York law and our wording should be the same in our constitution/bylaws. Maybe it makes everybody happier to say “constitution/bylaws” but it would be easier and better for everybody in the future if we just had “bylaws” because we would be matching New York law. **Newkirk:** Well, that might be a compromise to say “constitution/bylaws” in the new document, and then if

people become used to the word “bylaws” then the word “constitution” can be removed after I’m gone and dead. **DelaBar:** Then, are we going to change the verbiage for our clubs to provide us bylaws instead of a constitution when they apply for membership? **Newkirk:** Shelly or Cyndy, do you want to take that one on? **Byrd:** My own personal opinion is that our legal document is the bylaws/constitution and what we require of clubs is not part of that requirement. **DelaBar:** You know we’ll get asked that, so that’s why I thought I would ask the question. **Krzanowski:** I see no problem. If we do decide to change the name of this document, I don’t see a problem changing it for the club applicants, as well. It would not be a problem. **Newkirk:** I agree with you. Anybody else?

DelaBar: I know I’m going to get asked the question, what part of our constitution would put us at odds with New York and being incorporated in New York? **Byrd:** There are a couple of articles that are new. Those are absolutely out of compliance. For example, there’s nothing in the current constitution for the removal of an officer. I can’t remember the others off the top of my head. **DelaBar:** OK, so it’s basically those that you have totally underlined. **Byrd:** Yes. There are some other minor things, but those are the big ones. **DelaBar:** OK, thank you.

Suggested Rationale: *The CFA Constitution is currently out of compliance with the New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law. In order to bring the Constitution into compliance a number of amendments are required. You will see that these amendments do not change the content of the Constitution in any major way but minimally add and change language to bring our document into compliance. Additionally, there are some changes made to clarify some of the terms we use in the document. The list of changes made, the reasons for these changes and the Constitution showing these changes follow:*

Changes Made for Clarification of Terms or Processes

Throughout the document, “member” was changed to “member club” to mean a club.

Throughout the document, “member” was changed to “club member” to mean a person who belongs to a club.

Article I: “as set forth in the Certificate of Incorporation . . .” clarifies that the name is controlled by the Certificate of Incorporation.

Article III: “Prior to consideration by the Board, . . . applicant may be submitted,” and “in writing” clarify the actual process, thereby avoid lawsuits.

Article IV, Section 1: “The Executive Board shall have . . . by the Central Office as set for the above,” clarifies the process such as was needed during COVID-19.

Article IV, Section 4: The word “proof” substituted for “the container” clarifies that it is the proof, not the container, that should be preserved.

Article IV, Section 5, first paragraph: Use of the word “Constitution” simplifies the reference.

Article IV, Section 5, second paragraph: “Each member club . . . whether by delegate or proxy,” clarifies the actual process.

Article V, Section 2, subsection (b): “[M]ailed” is replaced by “provided” to reflect the current process.

Article V, Section 3: Changes clarify that the audit committee obtains, rather than completes, the audit and reports, reflecting current process.

Article VI, Section 1: (5) is added following the word “five” for consistency.

Article VI, Section 2, subsection (f): “[S]end by electronic means” is added to reflect the current process.

Article VII, Section 2: Notice of meetings by e-mail is added to reflect current processes.

Article XI-Breed Council is moved to Appendix A unchanged, do that the main section of the Constitution deals only with organizational matters.

Article XIII, paragraph 3 is deleted because it repeats the wording found in Article VII, Section 6.

Articles are renumbered as needed.

Changes Made as Required by New York Not-for Profit Corporation Law (N-PCL)

Article IV, Section 2: “Executive Board for . . . Executive Board,” and “Such written demand . . . who shall cause the,” was added to comply with N-PCL Section 603(c).

Article IV, Section 3: This section, describing how meetings are to be noticed, was added to comply with N-PCL Section 605.

Article IV, Section 5: “[W]hether by delegate or proxy,” and “delegate or proxy representing the member club,” clarifies the \$40.00 fee is not for the vote but for the registration fee. This complies with N-PCL Section 609(a)(5) which prohibits the sale of proxies or votes.

Article IV, Section 6: “[A] delegate or proxy from,” describes what is necessary for a quorum and complies with N-PCL Section 608.

Article V, Section 2: Subsection (a) is replaced to comply with N-PCL Section 519 and includes reports currently required.

Article VI, Section 5: Vacancies are to be filled by the Executive Board until the next Annual Meeting, rather than for the balance of the unexpired term, to comply with N-PCL Section 705(c).

Article VI, Section 6: This section is added to state the process at the resignation or removal of a board member as required by N-PCL Sections 706 and 714.

Article VII, Section 2: The new language states how regular meetings may be held in compliance with N-PCL Section 710(b) and 711(a).

Article VII, Section 3, subsection (a): “A majority of the Executive . . . may adjourn . . . with Section 1(b) above,” is added to comply with N-PCL Section 711(d).

Article VII, Section 3, subsection (b): New language describes how meetings may be held by video conferencing (e.g., Zoom) in compliance with N-PCL Section 708(c).

Article VII, Section 3, subsection (c): New language explains how a vote of the Executive Board may occur by fax or email without the need for a meeting. The result and the votes must be reported in the minutes. This is for compliance with N-PCL Section 708(d).

Article VII, Section 5, subsections (a-d): The new language lays out the voting rules for actions that can be taken by the board and those that require a vote of the delegates. This language complies with N-PCL Sections 509, 802, 903, 1002 and 510.

Article XVI, Sections 1-3: This new language describes how policies and procedures are to be adopted, books and records are to be kept and forbids loans to directors and officers, in compliance with N-PCL 715-A, 715-B, 716 and IRS codes.

The CFA Constitution with proposed changes:

CONSTITUTION OF THE CAT FANCIERS’ ASSOCIATION, INC®
Effective [_____] 2020 (last amended [_____] 2020)

Incorporated under the Membership Corporation Law of the State of New York, October 2, 1919
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ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be known as THE CAT FANCIERS’ ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED as set forth in the Certificate of Incorporation filed with New York State, as may be amended (referred to herein as the “Association” or “CFA”).

ARTICLE II – OBJECTS

The Association shall be a not-for-profit organization. Its objects shall be as follows: the welfare of all cats; the promotion and improvement of CFA recognized breeds of cats; the registering, recording or identifying by number or by other means the names and/or pedigrees of cats and kittens; the promulgation of rules for the management of cat shows; the licensing of cat shows held under the rules of this organization; and promotion of the interests of breeders and exhibitors of pedigreed cats.

The activities and objects of the Association shall be consistent with the foregoing purposes.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 – Eligibility

Any non-profit club of not less than ten (10) club members organized for the purpose of holding or managing cat shows and/or any other purposes consistent with those of the Association may apply for membership.

Section 2 – Application

Application for membership shall be mailed to the Central Office of the Association and shall include the following:

- a. a copy of the club's Constitution and By-laws;
- b. a list of officers with their addresses;
- c. a list of the names and addresses of all club members in good standing at the date of application;
- d. a check for the current year's dues which is refundable if applicant is not accepted;
- e. a check in the amount of \$100.00 to cover the cost of processing the application, non-refundable whether applicant is accepted or not; and
- f. such other information as the CFA Executive Board may require.

Section 3 – Election to Membership

When the application and accompanying papers are received in proper form in the Central Office, it shall then be submitted to the CFA Executive Board at the next regularly scheduled meeting for consideration. Prior to consideration by the Board, the applicant shall be pre-noticed to the CFA community by electronic means so that comments regarding the applicant may be submitted. If negative information is submitted in writing regarding the applicant, the information will be provided to the applicant with enough time for the applicant to prepare a written rebuttal prior to Board consideration.

The Executive Board may vote to accept to membership, vote not to accept, or delay consideration pending receipt of additional information. Any applicant not accepted by vote of

the Executive Board upon first consideration may appeal the vote to the delegates at the next scheduled Annual Meeting. The acceptance to membership by the delegation must be by a two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the total number of delegates seated at the beginning of the Annual Meeting. The Board shall, from time to time, formulate guidelines for the acceptance of new clubs based upon such factors as:

1. number of individuals associated with the applicant;
2. extent of individuals overlapping in the applicant club and other CFA clubs;
3. extent of breeding or exhibiting experience and participation in CFA activities among individuals associated with the applicant;
4. proposed geographical area of operation;
5. the effect of formation and acceptance on existing CFA member clubs; and
6. adequate limitation in the applicant's constitution upon distributions from the club treasury, both during its existence and in the event it disbands, it being the policy of the Association that club funds be disbursed only in manners consistent with the objects of the Association.

If a club appeals to the delegation after not being accepted by vote of the Executive Board upon first consideration, it must be prepared to distribute material to be reviewed by the delegation which answers the above listed questions prior to any vote of the delegation.

Section 4 – Regional Assignment

New member clubs of the Association will be assigned to the Region in which is found the mailing address of the secretary of the applicant at the time of application for membership. Any club, for which the secretary(s) has resided outside of the current assigned Region for a period of five (5) years, and/or the activities of the club have been conducted outside of the current assigned Region for a period of five (5) years, shall be reassigned to the Region of the current secretary's residence. Member clubs that have reorganized outside the current assigned Region, have conducted activities outside the current assigned Region, and the secretary also resides outside the current assigned Region, may petition the CFA Executive Board to be assigned to the new Region.

Section 5 – Dues and List of Members

Annual dues in the amount of \$80.00 (US) are due and payable each year on the first day of January for the ensuing calendar year. Dues shall be paid either by check drawn on a US bank, electronically by approved bankcard or by other means as the Board of Directors may approve.

Each member club shall, with the payment of dues, forward to the Central Office of this Association a complete list of club members together with their addresses, and a list of the then current officers of the club, which lists shall be certified by the Secretary of the member club.

A member club that has failed to pay its dues and submit the list of club members and officers by the first day of January of any year will cease to be a member in good standing and will so continue until the delinquent dues are paid and the list of club members and officers is filed with the Central Office. However, a member club that remains delinquent in payment of dues and/or fails to file required information past the first day of June shall be automatically dropped from membership.

Section 6 – Member Secretary of Record

The name of the Secretary of each member club shall be recorded by the CFA Central Office and this Secretary of Record shall be the point of all official communication between the CFA Central Office and each member club. Designation of a new Secretary of Record for any member club shall be made in writing by the existing Secretary of Record or, if the existing Secretary of Record is unavailable or otherwise unable to make such designation, by receipt of a letter signed by all other existing officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer) of the member club designating a new Secretary of Record.

Section 7 – Group Liability Insurance Premium

The Executive Board is authorized to purchase a group liability insurance policy covering the activities of the Association, the Regions and the Association's member clubs, and to charge the member clubs the premium cost as follows: the portion of said premium determined by the Executive Board to be applicable to non-show activities shall be divided equally among all clubs and assessed annually. Payment of said assessment and the consequences of non-payment thereof, shall be the same as set forth in Section 5 above. The portion determined by the Executive Board to be applicable to show activities shall be divided by the expected number of shows to be held, and the result shall be charged as a condition to the issuance of show licenses. The show license insurance charge may be waived by the Central Office in cases, if any, where the group policy is not acceptable to the lessor of show facilities.

ARTICLE IV – ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

Section 1 – Annual Meetings

The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held commencing on the third, fourth or fifth (if applicable) Friday in June, or the first Friday in July, of each year in each of the regions listed below successively (excluding the Japan and Europe regions), beginning in 1982 and in the following order: Midwest, Southern, North Atlantic, Northwest, Gulf Shore, Great Lakes, Southwest.

There shall be no change in the order of rotation, and each time an Annual Meeting shall have been held in each of the seven Regions, the order of rotation shall thereafter be repeated. A city within the eligible Region shall be chosen for the Annual Meeting to be held five years hence and announced to the delegates to the Annual Meeting of the Association. Electronic or written notice of the time and place of the Annual Meeting shall be made to member clubs by the Central Office not less than forty (40) nor more than fifty (50) days prior to the opening day of the meeting.

The Executive Board shall have authority by two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the entire Executive Board to change the Annual Meeting date and location if circumstances outside the control of the Association arise. Notice of such change shall be provided to member clubs by the Central Office as set forth above.

Section 2 – Special Meetings

Special Meetings may be convened by the Executive Board for a date set by the Executive Board. The members entitled to cast ten percent (10%) of the total number of votes entitled to be cast at such meetings may, in writing, demand the call of a special meeting specifying the date and month thereof, which shall not be less than two nor more than three months from the date of such written demand. Such written demand shall be delivered to the Secretary who shall cause the Central Office of the Association upon receiving the written demand shall to promptly give notice of such meeting.

Section 3 – Notice of Member Meetings

a. Written notice shall be given of all member meetings. The notice shall state the place, date and time of the meeting. Notice of a Special Meeting shall also state (i) whether the meeting is being called by the Executive Board or upon request of members; and (ii) the purpose or purposes for which it is being called. No business shall be conducted at a Special Meeting that is not included in such notice.

b. Unless otherwise provided in this Constitution, a copy of the notice of any meeting shall be given, personally, by first class mail, by fax or by e-mail not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) days before the date of the meeting. If notice is provided by another class of mail, notice shall be given not less than thirty (30) nor more than sixty (60) days before such date, to each member entitled to vote at such meeting. If mailed, such notice is given when deposited in the United States mail, with postage thereon prepaid, directed to the member at the address the member provides to the Association. If sent by fax or e-mail, such notice is given when directed to the member's fax number or e-mail address the member provides to the Association; provided, that notice shall not be deemed delivered if: (a) the Association is unable to deliver two (2) consecutive notices to the individual by e-mail or fax; or (b) the Association otherwise becomes aware that notice cannot be delivered to the individual by e-mail or fax.

Section ~~3-4~~ – Eligibility

At each Annual or Special Meeting of this Association, each member club that has been in good standing for not less than fifty (50) days immediately prior to such meeting is entitled to cast one vote. For the purpose of determining whether a member is in good standing as required herein, the date of receipt of each member club's dues and list of club members and officers by the Central Office of the Association shall govern. Further, to be in good standing, the member club must not be under disciplinary suspension. The secretary of each member club shall communicate the names of the officers and delegate of such member club to the Central Office of this Association no later than May first of each year. Notwithstanding the provisions of the first sentence of this Section, ~~members, member clubs,~~ the delegates from which are not so notified to the Central Office of this Association, are disqualified from voting at the meeting for

which no timely notification was made. The Central Office shall establish an electronic method for the submission of the notification of the club's delegate. For the purpose of determining compliance with this provision, the date on the postmark of the letter of notification or the date marking Central Office's receipt of an electronic notification, if any such notification exists, shall govern. The Central Office shall preserve ~~the container~~ proof of such notification until after the date of the next Annual Meeting.

Section 4-5 – Delegates

Each member club in good standing as set forth in ~~Paragraph 1 of Section 3~~ this Constitution shall elect one delegate from the club members of ANY member club to represent such member club at each meeting of ~~members member clubs~~. A delegate to any meeting may appoint a proxy from the club members any member club. Delegates or proxies may not be officers or board members of any association or organization organized for purposes or objects similar to those of this Association.

No person acting as a delegate and/or proxy shall cast more than two (2) votes. ~~Regardless of the number of votes carried, each delegate or proxy to~~ Each member club represented at the Annual Meeting, whether by delegate or proxy, shall pay a registration fee of forty dollars (\$40.00) for each ~~vote carried~~ delegate or proxy representing the member club to ~~help member clubs to help~~ defray the costs of the Annual Meetings.

It shall be the duty of the secretary of each member club of this Association, upon notification of the time and place of any meeting of this Association, duly to inform the delegate of such meeting.

Section 5-6 – Parliamentary Procedure

The meetings of the Association shall be conducted in accordance with such rules of Parliamentary Procedure as the Association shall from time to time adopt.

Section 6-7 – Quorum

The presence of a delegate or proxy from one-half (1/2) of the ~~members member clubs~~ at any Annual or Special Meeting shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V – FISCAL YEAR, REPORTS, AND AUDIT

Section 1 – Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Association shall commence on May 1, and terminate on April 30 of each year, beginning on May 1, 1982.

Section 2 – Reports

a. ~~—The Directors shall present at the Annual Meeting a report, verified by the President and the Treasurer, or by a majority of the members of the Executive Board, showing the whole amount of real and personal property owned by the Association, where located and where and how invested; the amount and nature of the property acquired during the year immediately preceding the date of the report and the manner of the acquisition; the amount applied, appropriated, or expended during the year immediately preceding such date and the purposes, objects, or persons to or for which such applications, appropriations, or expenditures have been made; and the names~~

~~and places of residence of the member clubs that have been admitted to membership in this Association during such year. This report shall be filed with the records of the Association and an abstract thereof entered in the Minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting.~~

a. The Executive Board shall present at the Annual Meeting of member clubs a report (a) verified by the President and Treasurer or by a majority of the Directors; or (b) certified by a firm of independent accountants, showing in appropriate detail the following:

- (i) the assets and liabilities, including the trust funds, of the Association, including where located and how invested;
- (ii) the principal changes in assets and liabilities, including trust funds, and the manner of the acquisition;
- (iii) the revenue or receipts of the Association, both unrestricted and restricted to particular purposes;
- (iv) the expenses or disbursements of the Association for both general and restricted purposes including the purposes, objects or persons to or for which such expenses or disbursements were made;
- (v) the number of member clubs of the Association as of the date of the report, together with a statement of increase or decrease in such number and a statement of the place where the names and places of residence of the current member clubs may be found;

The Annual Report needs to provide the above information as of the end of the twelve-month fiscal period terminating not more than six months prior to the meeting at which the Annual Report is presented. The Annual Report shall be filed with the records of the Association and a copy included in the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the member clubs.

b. The Directors shall also present profit and loss statements for the preceding fiscal year for (i) the annual meeting and (ii) any show produced in whole or in part by CFA, identifying in detail the sources of all income and the nature of all expenditures. These profit and loss statements shall be included in the delegate's bag at the Annual Meeting and ~~mailed~~ provided to the member clubs no later than June 30. NOTE: If corporate sponsorship contracts require confidentiality, all such sponsorships may be reported as one line item labeled "Corporate Sponsorships."

c. The Regional Directors of Regions 8 and 9 may maintain a treasury to defray the costs of regional activities in Regions 8 and 9. Contributions to any such regional fund shall be on a voluntary basis.

d. No later than May 25 of each year each Regional Director shall submit in writing to the Central Office a complete report of all receipts and disbursements of funds, if any, maintained by the Region for regional business, identifying in detail the sources of all income and the nature of all expenditures for the fiscal year which ended on April 30 of that year. The report shall include such detail as Central Office may require to enable Central Office to prepare and file

appropriate tax returns for the Association with the Internal Revenue Service and annual reports in states where chapter members are located.

Section 3 – Audit

Within ninety (90) days after the close of the fiscal year of the Association, the Executive Board shall direct the audit committee to ~~audit the books of the Association, and~~ obtain an independent audit from a CPA firm with no conflicting interests in the finances of the Association and to report back to the Executive Board when such audit is complete and whether any issues or concerns were identified.

ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Section 1 – Titles

The officers of this Association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

The Directors of this Association shall consist of nine (9) Regional Directors, representing the geographical regions herein specified, provided that not more than one person resident in any one of the Regions specified shall be elected a Regional Director, and five (5) Directors at Large.

No person may hold more than one office.

Section 2 – Elections

a. General. The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Regional Directors shall be elected in even numbered years. The Directors-at-Large shall be elected in odd numbered years. The term of office for every position shall begin on the Sunday following the close of the Annual Meeting of the Association.

All elections shall be conducted by mail or electronic ballot, each eligible member club having one (1) vote. The candidate receiving the most votes for an office or regional directorship shall be deemed elected, regardless of the number of candidates running. Once elected, an officer or director shall serve for a term of two (2) years, or until his/her successor is elected and qualifies, except as provided for in paragraph (f) below.

b. Eligibility to vote. In order to be eligible to vote, a member club must be in good standing as of February 1 of the year in which the election is held. Additionally, only clubs assigned to a particular region shall be eligible to vote for the Regional Director for that region. Although International Division members will not vote for a Regional Director, they are eligible to vote for Officers and Directors-at-Large if they hold a licensed CFA show within the previous show season. As used in this paragraph the previous show season shall mean the show season ending immediately preceding the election.

c. Candidates. Except as provided in Section 3 of this Article, any club member in good standing of any member club may run for any office or for Director-at-Large, and any club member in good standing of any member club assigned to a particular region may run for Regional Director from that Region. No candidate may run for more than one office at a time.

d. Candidate Declarations. Persons intending to run for any office or directorship shall declare their intention to do so by written declaration, signed by the candidate and

specifying the office or directorship intended. Declarations must be received by the Central Office by the close of business on March 15 of the year in which the election is held. Declarations shall not be accepted other than as provided herein and nominations shall not be made from the floor of the Annual Meeting.

e. Election Procedure. On or before April 25 of each election year, the Central Office shall send by electronic means or mail to all member clubs in good standing and eligible to vote, ballots listing all candidates for whom timely declarations were received. Central Office shall establish procedures, subject to approval by the Board of Directors, for optional electronic voting which shall include securing, printing, and appropriately destroying electronic ballots. Returned ballots must be received by the Central Office by June 1 of such year in order to be counted. Ballots returned by mail shall remain sealed until the Annual Meeting, at which time duly appointed inspectors will supervise the opening and counting of the ballots. Electronic ballots shall be individually printed by Central Office and brought to the Annual Meeting to be tabulated by the inspectors with the mailed ballots. Ballots that are illegible, incomplete or those containing write-in candidates shall be considered void. Ballots in elections for Directors-at-Large selecting less than five (5) candidates (or less than all declared candidates if fewer than five) shall be considered incomplete. Results shall be announced at the Annual Meeting as soon as the ballots have been tabulated. Ballots shall remain under the control of the inspectors until a motion to destroy the ballots is passed at which time the ballots shall be destroyed under the supervision of the inspectors. No person other than a duly appointed inspector shall have access to the ballots until after they are destroyed.

f. Tie-Vote Procedure. In the event of a tie vote in voting for any officer or Regional Directorship, or for the fifth position in Director-at-Large elections, a special ballot will be conducted as provided herein. No new candidates shall be eligible to run in the special election. Any club in good standing at the time the original election ballots were mailed shall be eligible to vote in the special election, whether or not it voted in the regular election. The Central Office shall send by electronic means or mail special ballot forms to each eligible member club on or before July 15 of the election year and shall establish procedures for optional electronic voting as in (e) of this section. Returned ballots must be received by the Central Office by September 1 in order to be counted. The opening, inspection for regularity (legibility, completeness, write-in candidate disqualification, etc.), counting of the ballots and reporting of the election results shall be conducted under procedures specified by the Executive Board of Directors, with any seated board member who is directly involved as a candidate in the tie vote being required to remove themselves from the determination of said procedure. In the event the special election also results in a tie vote, the office in question shall be resolved by lot by the then presiding Chair of the Board.

If the balloting for one or more Regional Director results in a tie-vote, the then presiding Chair of the Board shall determine by lot, from among the tied candidates, which shall represent the affected Region(s) from the time the tie-vote is declared until a winner is determined by the special mail ballot described above.

Section 3 – Conflicting Memberships

No person shall be eligible to serve as an Officer or Director of this Association who is a member of a club or association affiliated with or a member of an organization organized for purposes or objects similar to those of this Association.

Section 4 – Duties

The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer and managing head of this Association and the Chair of its Executive Board. The President shall preside at all meetings of members and of the Executive Board. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside. In the absence of both the President and the Vice President, the meeting shall elect a presiding officer. The presiding officer at any time may request a delegate or proxy to take the chair to permit the presiding officer to take part in a meeting of the members.

The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all meetings.

The Treasurer, who shall be bonded, shall be the Chief Financial Officer and chairperson of Association committees responsible for assisting the Executive Board with the annual audit and budget processes of the Association. In this capacity, the Treasurer shall have the responsibility to oversee all financial management activities relating to the programs and operations of the Association, and to develop and maintain an integrated accounting and financial management system. This system will include financial reporting and internal controls which comply with applicable accounting principles, standards, and requirements of the FASB (Financial Accounting Standards Board) and other internal control standards. Although not required, candidates for this office should possess demonstrated ability in general management and specific knowledge, either by education or experience, in financial management practices.

Any approval for the expenditure of an amount of money that is greater than 5% of the average prior two year's net income cannot be authorized by any individual committee of the Board, but must be authorized by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

All other duties and powers of Officers shall be such as the Executive Board shall from time to time determine.

In the absence of any Officer except the President, or for any other good and sufficient reason, the Executive Board may delegate the duties and powers of such Officers to any other Officer or to any individual then serving on the Executive Board for such a period as it may designate.

Section 5 – Vacancies

Vacancies in any office, except that of President and/or any of the Regional Directors, may be filled by the Executive Board ~~for the balance of the unexpired term.~~ until the next Annual Meeting at which elections will be held. Should the office of the President become vacant for any reason, the Vice President shall automatically succeed to that office.

Should a vacancy occur for any reason in the office of any of the various Regional Directors and nine (9) months or more remain in the term of that office, the Central Office shall immediately notify member clubs in the specific region of the vacancy and call for declarations from candidates to be submitted to the office within thirty (30) days of said notice. Within ten (10)

days after the closing date for the acceptance of declarations, the Central Office shall send by electronic means or mail ballots to eligible clubs in the region for voting and shall establish procedures for optional electronic voting as in Section 2(e) of this Article. Eligibility for voting will be limited to those member clubs in good standing not less than fifty (50) days prior to the date of the mailing of the ballots. The closing date for the return of the special election ballots to the Central Office will be sixty (60) days after mailing from the Central Office—said date to be printed on the ballot. Dated postmark stamp (provided by a postal clerk) on either the ballot or on a separate paper enclosed in the mailing envelope or the date marking Central Office's receipt of an electronic ballot will constitute PRIME FACIE evidence of the mailing date by the voting club.

When less than nine (9) months remain in the term of a Regional Director whose office is vacated, such office shall remain vacant until the next regular election of Regional Directors as provided for in Section 2, Elections, of this Article.

Section 6 – Resignations and Removal of Executive Board

a. Any Officer, Regional Director or Director-at-Large may resign at any time by giving written notice to the President or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein or, if no time be specified, then on delivery. The Executive Board is not required to accept the resignation for the resignation to take effect.

b. Any Regional Director or Director-at-Large may be removed with cause by vote of the member clubs, or by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Executive Board. "Cause" shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (1) failure to attend three consecutive Board meetings; (2) failure to attend four Board meetings during the course of the year; (3) violating policies and procedures of the Association; or (4) engaging in conduct detrimental to the best interests of the Association.

c. Any Officer may only be removed by vote of the voting members with cause; provided that an Officer may be suspended from performing the Officer's duties by the Executive Board. "Cause" shall be defined as set forth in Section 6(b) above.

ARTICLE VII – EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS AND VOTING

Section 1 – Membership

The government of the affairs of this Association shall be in the hands of the Executive Board. The President, the Vice President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the nine (9) Regional Directors, and the five (5) Directors at Large of this Association shall be members of the Executive Board.

Section 2 – Meetings

The Board shall meet from time to time at the call of its Chair or of any ten (10) members of the Board. The call shall be ~~mailed~~ given by e-mail or by mail to each member of the Board at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting and shall specify the approximate agenda, time and place of the meeting, which, if held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting, may be held at any place; other Board Meetings to be held within the United States or Canada.

Regular meetings of the Executive Board may be held without notice at such times as may be fixed from time to time by resolution of the Executive Board. Notice of regular meetings shall not be required.

Section 3 – Quorum

a. _____ The presence of ten (10) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A majority of the Executive Board members present, whether or not a quorum is present, may adjourn any meeting to another time and place provided that notice is provided in according with Section 1(b) above.

b. _____ Any one or more members of the Board or committee may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone, electronic video screen communication or similar communications equipment allowing all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting provided that all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time and each individual may participate in all matters before the Executive Board or committee, including, but not limited to, proposing, objecting to and voting upon a specific action taken at the meeting.

c. _____ Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Executive Board may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Executive Board consent to the adoption of a resolution authorizing the action. The resolution and the written consents of the Executive Board shall be filed with the minutes of the Executive Board. Consents may be provided: (i) in a writing signed by the individual either in hard copy or by affixing a signature by any reasonable means (e.g., fax signature); or (ii) by e-mail that includes information from which the recipient can reasonably determine that the transmission was authorized by the individual.

Section 4 – Delegation of Powers

The Executive Board may delegate to the Officers of this Association such of its duties and powers as it sees fit and as permitted by statute.

Section 5 – Voting

a. _____ Each member of the Executive Board shall have one vote. Executive Board members shall not vote by proxy. Every Board Member has the right to abstain, i.e., not vote, on a particular issue and such abstention shall be documented in the meeting minutes. For the purpose of tabulating votes only, a Board Member not voting for any reason will be considered absent from the meeting when calculating the total affirmative votes required for passing a particular proposal.

b. _____ The vote of a majority of the Executive Board members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall constitute action by the Executive Board, except as set forth in these bylaws and required by applicable law.

c. _____ The following actions require approval by two-thirds vote of the entire Executive Board:

(i) the purchase of real property that will constitute all or substantially all of the assets of the Association once purchased; and

(ii) the sale, lease, mortgage, exchange or other disposition of real property that constitutes all or substantially all of the assets of the Association.

d. The following items must be approved first by majority vote of the Executive Board at a meeting at which a quorum is present and then submitted to the voting members for approval by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members at a meeting at which a quorum is present; provided that the total votes cast in favor of the action must also be at least equal to a quorum of members as provided in Article IV, Section 7 of these bylaws:

(i) amendment of the Association's Certificate of Incorporation;

(ii) approval of a merger or consolidation;

(iii) approval of dissolution of the Association; and

(iv) approval of the sale of all or substantially all of the Association's assets.

Section 6 – Acceptance of New Breeds for Championship Competition

Acceptance of any new breed for championship competition shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Executive Board present.

Once a breed is accepted for championship status, it cannot have its registration status rescinded, placed back in A.O.V. status or moved to provisional status without 2/3 Breed Council approval.

ARTICLE VIII – REGIONS

Section 1 – Geographical Boundaries

The United States, Canada, Bermuda, Mexico, Japan and Europe are divided into nine (9) geographical regions as follows:

REGION 1 – NORTH ATLANTIC

Bermuda, Canada (East of the 77th meridian), Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York (East of the 77th meridian), Pennsylvania (East of the 77th meridian), Rhode Island, and Vermont.

REGION 2 – NORTHWEST

Alaska, California (North of the 36th parallel), Canada (West of the Western border of Manitoba), Idaho, Montana, Nevada (North of the 37th parallel), Oregon, Utah and Washington.

REGION 3 – GULF SHORE

Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas (South of the 38th parallel), Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Tennessee (West of the Tennessee River), Texas, Wyoming, and the Mexican states of Aguascalientes, Campeche, Chiapas, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Colima, Durango, Federal District, Guanajuato, Guerrero, Hidalgo, Jalisco, México, Michoacán, Morelos, Nayarit, Nuevo Leon, Oaxaca, Puebla, Querétaro, Quintana Roo, San Luis Potosí, Tabasco, Tamaulipas, Tlaxcala, Veracruz, Yucatan, and Zacatecas.

REGION 4 – GREAT LAKES

Canada (East of the 90th meridian and West of the 77th meridian), Kentucky (North of the 38th parallel), Michigan, New York (West of the 77th meridian), Ohio, Pennsylvania (West of the 77th meridian), and West Virginia.

REGION 5 – SOUTHWEST

Arizona, California (South of the 36th parallel), Hawaii, Nevada (South of the 37th parallel), and the Mexican states of Baja California Norte, Baja California Sur, Sinaloa, and Sonora.

REGION 6 – MIDWEST

Canada (East of the Western border of Manitoba and West of the 90th meridian), Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas (North of the 38th parallel), Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

REGION 7 – SOUTHERN

Alabama, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky (South of the 38th parallel), Maryland, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee (East of the Tennessee River), the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Virginia.

REGION 8 – JAPAN

Japan.

REGION 9 – EUROPE

Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Macedonia, Malta, Monaco, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Spain, Ukraine, United Kingdom.

Section 2 – Organization

Regions 1 through 7 shall (i) be incorporated as non-profit corporations in the United States, (ii) adopt and maintain a fiscal year for the corporation that corresponds with the Association's fiscal year, and (iii) apply for, obtain and maintain tax exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE IX – INTERNATIONAL

There shall be an International Division of CFA for clubs not located in a region described in Article VIII. Clubs may be accepted into the International Division in accordance with such requirements or conditions as the Executive Board may from time to time adopt.

A club accepted into the International Division shall be designated an 'International Member' entitled to the rights and privileges and subject to the duties and obligations of ~~members~~ member clubs, under the provisions of this Constitution, except that:

a. The provisions of Article III, Section 4 of this Constitution shall not apply to the International Division. The Board of Directors shall designate the country(ies) within which a new international member club may carry on activities and thereafter have the right, in its discretion, to limit or expand such area.

b. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article III, Section 7 of this Constitution, the Board of Directors shall have the right to require an International Member to obtain and maintain, at its own cost, liability insurance covering the Association and such International Member, in such limits as the Executive Board deems adequate, with an insurance company(ies) approved by the Executive Board.

c. Registration rules for cats in the International Division shall be the same as those adopted for the Regions described in Article VIII of this Constitution.

d. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of Article IV of this Constitution, only those International Members holding a licensed CFA show within the previous show season will be entitled to be a delegate and cast a vote at any annual or special meeting of members. Only those International Members qualifying for entitlement to vote will be counted in computing the number of members required or members present for quorum purposes at a meeting of members.

e. Every two years, International Members shall select two (2) representatives to participate in a council of the International Division, to consider matters particularly relevant to the International Members. The Board shall adopt rules of procedure for the appointment or election of representatives. The Board shall also select the times and places for the International Council to meet, which meetings shall occur not less than once each year.

The President of the Association shall appoint a committee of at least two (2) members of the Board, one of which shall be designated as chair, to attend and conduct such meeting.

Within thirty (30) days following conclusion of the meeting, the committee will submit a written report to the President, with a copy to Central Office, setting forth the matters discussed and

questions raised, with attached copies of writings submitted in support of and/or in opposition to any matter raised before the council.

The committee may include its recommendations to the Board for action to be taken.

The cost and expense of such council meeting shall be borne proportionately by all International Members.

f. The provisions of Article XV – Discipline, shall apply to the International Division and International Members, with the added provision that if the Executive Board should schedule a formal hearing on charges, the Executive Board may appoint a committee to conduct the hearing and report to the Executive Board as to the testimony and evidence received with its findings and recommended disposition. The Executive Board shall not be bound by such findings or recommendation in reaching its own determination and the discipline, if any, to be fixed.

ARTICLE X – CENTRAL OFFICE

The operation of the affairs of this Association shall be carried out under the general direction of the Executive Board in such manner and place as may from time to time be determined by the Executive Board. The personnel of such office and the compensation of such personnel shall be as determined by the Executive Board. Such individuals in such office who may handle the money of the Association, and who may be authorized to sign checks drawn on the bank account or accounts of the Association, shall be bonded in such amounts as may be determined by the Executive Board. A representative of the Central Office, qualified to speak on the operations of the office and to answer questions of delegates or Board Members relative to these operations, shall attend each meeting of members of the Association and each meeting of the Executive Board, the out-of-pocket expenses of such person incurred in connection with such meeting to be paid by the Association.

ARTICLE XI – BREED COUNCIL

Breed Councils will be formed to serve the Executive Board in an advisory capacity regarding CFA Show Standards. The rules governing the operation of the Breed Councils are contained in the Breed Council Standing Rules ~~listed below:~~ attached as Appendix A to this Constitution.

[All sections of the Breed Council article are moved to Appendix A with no changes.]

ARTICLE XII – SHOW LICENSES

The Executive Board shall have power in its full discretion to grant or to withhold from each member club of the Association a license to hold a cat show. No member club shall hold, sponsor, or manage a cat show not licensed by this Association; nor shall such a club hold, sponsor, or manage a cat show licensed by any other organization. No member club shall hold, sponsor, or manage a cat show in conjunction with one licensed by any other similar organization without the prior approval of the Executive Board, which may impose such conditions as the Executive Board may deem appropriate. At the request of any Regional Director, a show license or licenses may be issued for a show or shows to be sponsored by the Region represented by such Regional Director. No club shall be denied a show license because its show does not include Household Pets as a competitive category.

ARTICLE XIII – RULES AND STANDARDS

The Executive Board shall from time to time establish “Show Rules” and “Show Standards” under which shows licensed by this Association are to be held and shall determine the basis on which Championships, Grand Championships, Premierships, Grand Premierships, and other awards established by it for this Association shall be made.

Delegates and proxies to the Annual Meeting of the Association may change such Show Rules of the Association as have general applicability (but not those affecting specifically any color, breed, or division) by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote, provided that any such proposed Show Rules changes are noticed by the Association’s Central Office to all member clubs in good standing at least 45 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Proposed changes not included in such notice, or included but amended prior to adoption, or adopted by a vote of less than two-thirds (2/3), shall be advisory only. Show Rule changes so adopted shall be effective on May 1 of the year following adoption, unless a different effective date is specifically stated in the adopted change.

~~Once a breed is accepted for championship status, it cannot have its registration status rescinded, placed back in A.O.V. status or moved to provisional status without 2/3 Breed Council approval.~~

A CFA-sponsored awards program which shall include scoring procedures, policies and awards shall be listed as an official part of the CFA Show Rules. Awards will be based on points accumulated throughout the show season subject to the rules and limitations set forth in the program. No other method of determining the winning cats shall be permitted.

ARTICLE XIV – JUDGES

The Executive Board shall from time to time adopt standing rules to govern the operation of the Judging Program.

The Executive Board shall have the sole right to approve and authorize judges of shows held under the license of this Association. Acceptance into the Judging Program, and advancement within it, shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Executive Board present. Members of the Executive Board shall comply with all standing rules governing the operation of the Judging Program when they have personal knowledge concerning an individual presented before them for advancement or acceptance in the Judging Program. When voting on the acceptance or advancement of individuals in the Judging Program, the vote of the vote of each member of the Executive Board shall be reported in the public minutes of the meeting. Any individual not advanced as a result of a vote by the Executive Board shall be informed of the basis of the Executive Board’s action and, shall have the right to file a written “Request for Reconsideration”. A “Request for Reconsideration” filed with the chair of the Judging Committee within 30 days of receipt of written notice of the Board’s decision will maintain the judging status of the individual until final action by the Board at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

The Executive Board may indicate its approval of such individuals as an “Approved Judge” an “Approval Pending Judge,” or an “Apprentice Judge” and such approval may be for a specified period of time. In the case of “Apprentice Judges,” Apprentice Judges being on a probational status, such period of time need not be specified and the approval is terminable at the will of the

Executive Board. In the case of an Approved Judge or an Approval Pending Judge, the Executive Board shall vote to recertify on an annual basis. Recertification shall require the affirmative vote of a majority vote of the Executive Board present. Any judge failing to be recertified shall be informed of the basis of the Executive Board's action and be cited to appear by the Executive Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting for hearing on the issue of recertification. The vote of the individual members of the Executive Board resulting in the failure of a judge to be recertified shall be reported in the public minutes of the meeting. Any such judge not able to appear in person may present evidence by affidavit. The status of the judge shall remain unchanged until such hearing. After consideration of all evidence, the Executive Board may vote to recertify, to suspend temporarily or for such period of time as the Executive Board deems proper in its discretion, or to place such requirements or restrictions on the judge's future participation in the judging program as the Executive Board considers necessary and proper.

Until an individual reaches the status of "Approval Pending Judge," such individual going through the CFA Judging Program is in a probationary status. The Executive Board may suspend from the Judging Program any person in a probational status without notice or hearing.

With the exception of disciplinary action as defined in Article XV, any action to drop, permanently suspend, or reduce in status any individual in the Judging Program shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Executive Board present. The vote of the individual members of the Executive Board shall be reported in the public minutes of the meeting.

No judge may be an officer, director or judge of any other organization having objects similar to those of this Association.

Regardless of the status of any individual approved to judge shows held under the license of this Association, no person shall be authorized to judge any show held under the license of this Association until he has been specifically authorized to so act by the Executive Board or by the Central Office of the Association under powers delegated by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XV – DISCIPLINE

Section 1 – Powers of the Executive Board

The Executive Board shall have exclusive jurisdiction to discipline ~~members~~ member clubs, judges, clerks, breeders, show officials, exhibitors, and all other parties who, by their voluntary participation in CFA activities subject themselves to its various rules, including those enumerated in this Article, in order to preserve the integrity of this organization in the accomplishment of its objectives.

Disciplinary power may be exercised only after due notice and opportunity to be heard is first given the party charged.

Disciplinary action shall require an affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the Executive Board present.

Section 2 – Conduct of Members Subject to Executive Board Discipline

The Executive Board may reprimand, suspend, expel and/or fine any member club upon a finding of guilty for:

- a. the enactment of any amendment to the Constitution or By-Laws of a member club in conflict with the Charter or Constitution of the Association.
- b. The holding of a cat show not licensed by the Association or the holding of a cat show in conjunction with one licensed by any other similar organization without the prior approval of the Executive Board, or in violation of any conditions placed on such prior approval.
- c. The violation of any Show Rule.
- d. Distribution of club funds in a manner inconsistent with the objects of the Association.
- e. Any act or conduct seriously and patently detrimental to the best interest and welfare of the cat or the Association.

Section 3 – Conduct of Judges and Clerks Subject to Executive Board Disciplinary Powers

The Executive Board may reprimand, suspend, terminate and/or fine any judge or clerk found guilty of:

- a. Violations of any standing rules governing the responsibilities and duties of judges or clerks as may be enacted from time to time.
- b. The violation of any Show Rule.
- c. Any willful conduct involving CFA or CFA activities which is seriously detrimental to the best interest of CFA or the welfare of the cats.

Section 4 – Conduct of Club Officers, Breeders, Exhibitors, Show Officials and Other Participants Subject to Executive Board Discipline

Any breeder, exhibitor, show official, or other participant in CFA activities may be reprimanded, prohibited from exhibiting, denied access to CFA services and facilities, including the registration of cats, transfer of ownership, placement of advertising in CFA publications, and/or fined upon a finding of guilty for:

- a. Cruel or inhumane treatment in the breeding, keeping, showing, or otherwise dealing with felines.
- b. Willful misrepresentation in connection with registration of a litter or cat.
- c. Abuse of the services of CFA in connection with the advertising, sale, lease, or transfer of a feline.

- d. Authorizing or participating in the distribution of club funds in a manner inconsistent with the objects of the Association.
- e. Violations of CFA registration rules as promulgated by the Board from time to time.
- f. The violation of any Show Rule.
- g. Any act or conduct seriously and patently detrimental to the best interest and welfare of the cat or the Association.

Section 5 – Procedure

The Board may consider any protest filed hereunder by any individual associated with a member club or in any other manner brought to the attention of the Executive Board. The Executive Board may delegate authority to one or more persons to review, investigate, and determine if probable cause exists for the filing of a formal protest.

Such determination as to probable cause shall be advisory only and not binding on the Executive Board. Should the Executive Board elect to proceed with a formal hearing, the party charged will be entitled to receive written notice of the particulars of the charges no less than thirty (30) days before the scheduled hearing date.

Any Executive Board member who is the subject of a complaint, or who is associated with a member club that is the subject of a complaint, or who by some other close association has an interest in the outcome of a protest, shall be duty-bound to disqualify himself from participation in consideration of the protest.

ARTICLE XVI – GENERAL

Section 1 – Adoption of Policies and Procedures.

The Executive Board or designated committee of the Board, by resolution, shall adopt such rules, regulations, policies and procedures as it may deem necessary and appropriate to the operation of the Association, including, but not limited to, a Conflicts of Interest Policy and Whistleblower Policy; provided, however, that no rule, regulations, policy or procedure may be adopted by the Association that is contrary to these Bylaws and applicable law as may be amended from time to time.

Section 2 – Books and Records.

There shall be kept at the office of the Association: (1) correct and complete books and records of account; (2) minutes of the proceedings of the member clubs, the Executive Board and any committee of the Executive Board; (3) a current list of the members of the Executive Board of the Association; (4) a list of all member clubs including name and address; (5) a copy of these Bylaws; (6) a copy of the Association's application for recognition of exemption with the Internal Revenue Service; and (7) copies of the past three (3) years' information returns and Form 990-T's (if any) filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

Section 3 – Loans to Directors and Officers.

No loans shall be made by the Association to the members of its Executive Board, or to any other corporation, firm, association or other entity in which one or more of its Executive Board members are directors or officers or hold a substantial financial interest except as allowed by law.

~~ARTICLE XVI~~ARTICLE XVII – AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by an Annual or Special Meeting of ~~members~~member clubs by two-thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by the delegates present at the meeting in person or by proxy, provided that the proposed amendment, together with notice of time and place of the meeting, has been provided by the Central Office of this Association, or by a member club proposing the amendment, to each member club at least forty-five (45) days prior to the meeting.

APPENDIX A

BREED COUNCIL STANDING RULES

PURPOSE

The CFA Breed Councils were established in 1970 to serve as advisory bodies on breed standards to the CFA Executive Board. The Breed Councils channel opinions and suggestions from the individual breeder to the Board through the Breed Council Secretary elected by each specific breed.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUAL BREED COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

1. Have a CFA registered cattery name.
2. Are at least 18 years of age or older.
3. Have bred and registered with CFA at least three litters of the appropriate breed/division.
4. A judge or an officer of another cat registering association is not eligible.

In addition to the above requirements, membership is limited to individuals who have met either of the following qualifications:

Bred at least one CFA Grand Champion or Grand Premier of the appropriate breed/division, OR

Registered one litter of the appropriate breed/division within the previous two calendar years and, have exhibited a cat/kitten owned or leased by the applicant of the appropriate breed/division at a CFA show within the previous two calendar years.

A litter which has been reregistered to add an individual or individuals as additional breeders of the litter may not be used to qualify the additional breeder or breeders for Breed Council membership.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership by eligible individuals in any breed/division section may be obtained by submitting to the Central Office a completed membership application form together with the appropriate fee(s). A membership runs from May 1 to April 30. An optional two-year membership will be available in even numbered years for those members who have bred a CFA Grand Champion or Grand Premier of the appropriate breed/division. A two-year membership will begin May 1 of even numbered years and end on April 30 of the next even numbered year. When available for distribution, the Show Rules and Show Standards will be sent to each member. Membership applications for any given year will not be accepted after August 1 of that year.

FEES

The annual registration fee (May 1 to April 30) shall be set by the Executive Board to help defray expenses for the operation of the Breed Councils.

PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Members forward suggestions and opinions to the elected secretary of the specific breed council. The breed council secretary will evaluate these proposals and obtain the opinions of other members of the particular breed/division section. The weight of these opinions will form the basis for an annual poll taken prior to the Executive Board meeting in February when breed standard revisions are considered.

BREED COUNCIL SECRETARY

1. Requirements for Eligibility –
 1. Current CFA membership in the specific breed council.
 2. Current CFA club membership.
 3. A secretary may not hold his/her position in more than one council at a time.

Election –

1. A secretary for each breed council will be elected FROM the membership and BY the membership of that breed council.
2. Elections will be held every two years in even numbered years during the month of December. Secretaries shall begin their two-year terms on May 1 of the following year, except that secretaries elected in December 2014 shall serve from January 1, 2015 – April 30, 2017.

3. A candidate must declare his/her intention to run for secretary of a breed council by submitting his/her declaration in writing, signed by the candidate, to the Central Office by August 1 next prior to the December in which the election is held. Signed declarations may be submitted by mail, fax or electronic scanned file.

4. Ballots for the election of breed council secretaries must be mailed to the Central Office in accordance with voting instructions printed on the ballot and must be returned in the official ballot envelope.

5. Only those breed council members who have paid their dues by August 1 next preceding the December in which the election is held shall be eligible to vote in the election.

6. In the event of a tie vote between/among the candidates for breed council secretary, the membership that was eligible to vote in the election that resulted in a tie shall be balloted again. The re-balloting will be done within 2 weeks of the close of the prior election, allowing the voters 14 days to return the ballots to Central Office. If the vote is again a tie, the winner shall be determined by lot.

Vacancies –

1. Any vacancy occurring in the office of a breed council secretary shall be filled by appointment by the President of CFA.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Councils shall serve the Executive Board in an advisory capacity, the Executive Board shall not alter or amend any part of the standards for any breed, or add thereto, without first obtaining (within the prior 12 months) the approval of 60% of the members voting of the specific Breed Council(s) affected. An unmarked item on an otherwise valid breed council ballot is an abstention, and an abstention does not count as a member voting for purposes of calculating 60%.

In no case will the Executive Board accept a new breed without providing the Breed Council Secretaries of any breed which has been used to establish a proposed new breed an opportunity to comment.

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

The Board's suggestions will be incorporated into the presentations presented above and the Board will be requested to approve the presentations for the delegates' approval at the 2021 Annual Meeting.

Time Frame:

Both of these items must be approved by the Board in time be submitted to Central Office by March 15, 2021 to be prepared for the 2021 Annual Meeting agenda.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Cyndy Byrd, Chair*

Newkirk: OK Legal Advisory Committee, good work. You've got some more work cut out for you, it looks like. **Byrd:** We'll take care of it. **Newkirk:** Thank you so much, Cyndy.

(26) **VIRTUAL CAT COMPETITION COMMITTEE.**

Committee Chair: Iris Zinck
Liaison to Board: Cathy Dunham
List of Committee Members: Michael Altschul, Deirdre Gerhardt, Nancy Kerr

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Providing guidance and support to the Half Moon Cat Club throughout their successful VCC, which brought in 420 entries and generated just over \$2000 in net profits for the club.

Completed minor revisions on our introductory “VCCs 101” document for clubs in response to feedback received over the past month. Once approved the document will be provided to groups interested in producing a VCC event.

Prepared two new working documents, “VCC Guidelines”, which used the Millennial Committees rules for the Top Cat Challenge as a starting point (with their permission) but seeks to adapt them into guidelines for standalone VCC events, and “VCC Processes” which expands on the Guidelines in more specific detail. These two documents will serve the purpose of the VCC Planning and Show Production Manual we had originally planned to produce.

Newkirk: Can we bring Iris in as a panelist, if she’s not already in? Then we will hear the Virtual Cat Competition report. Iris, you are recognized. **Dunham:** As the board liaison, can I make a standing motion? **Newkirk:** Sure. **Dunham:** I would like to make a standing motion to accept the action items, as they are presented. **Anger:** Rachel makes a standing second. **Newkirk:** There we go, we’ve got that covered. Is Iris in yet? **Zinck:** I would like to start by thanking everybody who read these items that we have submitted. I know it was a bit of text to get through, so we are very grateful. We had two documents for you to review. One is a document that we have been sending out to clubs that have asked us what’s called for in putting on one of these shows. We’ve been using it as a working draft, but we want your seal of approval on it. Then the second document is a list of guidelines for these virtual shows as individual events, which was adapted from the guidelines that were devised for the International Top Cat Challenge. But, we did make some additions of our own as we went through the process, so if you have any questions or concerns about them, we’re here.

Current Happenings of Committee:

Continuing our biweekly Zoom planning meetings to address current issues and future planning

Meeting with the Executive Director and Central Office staff members concerning privacy concerns with VCC exhibitor data and developing a procedure to address them

Working with members of the Garden State Cat Club to assist with planning and organization for the VCC event they wish to sponsor in March

Expecting to provide writing and promotional assistance (judge bios, press releases, etc.) for the upcoming TrapKing/CCW VCC event scheduled for February

Discussing potential VCC shows with two other clubs

Analyzing trends in VCC entries with regard to class type popularity, geographical distribution and other key info

The committee has been asked to address a platform design issue concerning Spectator Choice Voting. The corrective action will be implemented for events starting in February. We are currently working with Central Office and the Budget Committee to address the customization that will be needed to correct the issue.

Future Projections for Committee:

Supporting the Garden State Cat Club's upcoming event, which will involve training a new entry clerk and providing graphic design and promotional assistance

Addressing any needed revisions to documents submitted at this meeting

Board Action Items:

Approve the updated "VCCs 101" document

Newkirk: Let's take the first action item, which is *Approve the updated "VCCs 101" document*. Is there discussion on that? No discussion. Is there any objection to the approval of the updated VCC 101 document? Hearing no objections, we will by unanimous consent approve the updated "VCCs 101" document.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Approve the "VCC Guidelines" document

Newkirk: We'll move on to the second action item, which is to *Approve the "VCC Guidelines" document*. Cathy and Rachel have moved and seconded their standing motions. Is there any discussion? **Morgan:** First of all, I would like to commend Iris and the entire Virtual Cat Competition Committee on putting together this comprehensive guide, but I do have a couple of just questions/concerns I would like to throw out there and get their feedback on. I'm still struggling with whether it is necessary to constrain ourselves by limiting the number of virtual shows each month. My thinking on that is, there are some instances where the shows in question appeal to a totally different audience, and if our goal is to provide incentive for cat fanciers to stay active during the period, I'm really not sure we should be overly complicating the process or be putting up roadblocks. I'm also not sure I'm comfortable allowing judges and family members to enter classes that they're judging, even though I know they are just fun classes and these aren't shows, they're photo contests. Frankly, given the number of complaints and concerns that I have received from exhibitors during this recent last bout of whatever we called the cat contest that we did from CFA [Note: CFA International Top Cat Challenge "CITCC"], which I know, Iris, is slightly different than this Virtual Cat Committee, but still impacts on these shows going forward. I'm really not sure that anyone actively involved in that production and/or entry clerking, etc. part of the show should actually even be participating, much like members of the committees on lotteries don't buy lottery tickets – but that's neither

here nor there. Again, we don't want to over-legislate something that's supposed to be fun, but I guess I just want to kind of finish up with a question. Do these guidelines and policies apply if the club isn't using the CFA platform? For example, if someone was using the platform that they used over in Europe for a couple of their shows that worked quite well, and do they still need to go through the CFA process or what? Long diatribe for a short question, sorry. **Zinck:** Cathy, do you want to respond or do you want me to? **Dunham:** You can, and if I need to make comments I will add them. **Zinck:** OK. First off, there was never any intention to allow any judge to enter a class that they were personally involved in. Maybe the wording needs to be looked at, but the idea was simply to allow everybody to have fun and participate in the fun classes. Obviously, a fun class judge would not enter his or her own fun class, but could enter the other fun classes since they're all judged independently and nothing is scored. Does that make you feel better? **Morgan:** Yeah. It's not the way I read it, so it does make me feel better. That's simply not the way I read it, no. You might want to take a look at it again. I don't have it up in front of me right here, but perhaps I was just being dense. If not, you might want to just wordsmith it a bit, which I know you will do a great job with. Thank you again. Truly, I started out by saying I commend you all. I think that what you've done here is really fabulous. You've done a great job. **Newkirk:** Cathy, do you have anything to add? **Dunham:** I think the only thing I would add to answer Melanie's second part of her question about whether or not these guidelines would be used for other platforms. In my opinion no, Melanie, they wouldn't be, so if they are using the platform from Europe, for example, I think they have their own set of guidelines which is perfectly fine. The only thing that we ask as a Committee is to be notified of the dates so that we are not conflicting with multiple events going on at the same time that would actually conflict with each other. Does that answer that part of your question, Melanie? **Morgan:** Yes, thank you.

Newkirk: Any other comments? **Mastin:** Allene, is there any chance you can scroll to the judging section, #4? **Tartaglia:** I can. I'll have to find it on File Vista first. **Mastin:** OK. I'll read it, and Melanie, you can chime in here if this is what you're referencing. Under Judging, #4 on the CFA-VCC Event Guidelines, states: *A cat bred by a judge may be entered in an event where that judge is officiating, however, the exhibitor has a responsibility to alert the entry clerk about this at the time of entry.* Melanie, is that what you're referring to? **Morgan:** No. There's another one somewhere in there that talks about where, in confirmation classes, the judge can't basically have a cat entered but they can in fun classes. **Tartaglia:** Is it under the VCC 101? **Zinck:** No, it's in the guidelines. **Morgan:** It's in the guidelines, I think. **Tartaglia:** OK, I can bring that up. You'll just have to tell me where it is. **Morgan:** Somewhere around there. I just can't get it open right now. **Tartaglia:** OK, I've got it. **Dunham:** Go down to the judging portion. Melanie, were you talking about #3? **Morgan:** Go up a bit, Allene. Yes I am, yes. **Dunham:** *Therefore, conformation judges may, if they wish, enter the fun classes for events they are judging, and fun class judges may enter other fun classes or the conformation classes.* **Zinck:** The reason we have to versions of this is, I was advised that it might be considered very controversial, as indeed it does appear to be, so we had a back-up, but we would prefer to go with the main wording of #3 if it's acceptable to the majority. **Dunham:** This is supposed to be fun and engaging, so we don't necessarily want to tie everybody's hands but we also realize that there needs to be some guidance to not necessarily mirror or current show rules for in-person shows, but to at least not to the fact that we do have an understanding of how judges and family members of judges should engage in entering in these events. **Newkirk:** Is there any scoring of any of these cats? **Zinck:** No. We do scoring within the shows so we can determine the highest scoring cats per class and give them prizes. There's no ongoing scoring. **Newkirk:** No awards

recognized from CFA. **Zinck:** Right, just prizes within the show. **Newkirk:** And so Melanie, is your question whether people that are judging it can put cats in the show? Is that what the gist of your question is? **Morgan:** My concern arises with the fact that, given the feedback I got from this last round of shows, clearly even though it's just a photo contest and it's just for fun, exhibitors out there have the perception that there are inequities out there and when we say – I mean, the statement is specifically, *judges may, if they wish, enter the fun classes for events they are judging* ... Now, from a perception standpoint, I'm judging the class and now I have entered my own cat. I might be able to be fair about that, but the common exhibitor out there who is ostensibly who we're trying to appeal to may feel that that is a conflict of interest that I would be – even though it's a fun class – judging my own entry. **Newkirk:** Is that what this means? **Dunham:** Confirmation judges do not judge the fun classes. The two types of classes are separate. If you judge confirmation, you can't enter confirmation. **Morgan:** *Confirmation judges may, if they wish, enter the fun classes for events they are judging* ... To me, perhaps, I think that you're doing exactly what I've asked, it's just not – I'm interpreting what you've written there as, it says that you may enter classes that you are judging. **Dunham:** A confirmation judge may enter the fun class for a virtual show. **Morgan:** OK, an overall even. I got it. That makes more sense. I have no problem with that, then. **DelaBar:** I was just going to say, with Satu judging Top Cat, I didn't even think about entering any of our cats. If her name was on, it would show up as, if one of them won, Breeder/Owners: Pam DelaBar, Satu Hämäläinen or the other way around. It would not have helped the perception of equity at all, so I just didn't do it. **Newkirk:** Any other board members have any comments? So Iris, you prefer to go with the statement above: ALTERNATE VERSION IF THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. **Zinck:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK, alright. So, that's how we will proceed. **Mastin:** So, we are going to change the verbiage on #3 and go with the alternate? **Newkirk:** No, no, no. No, we're going to stick with the first paragraph. That alternate version would be deleted, correct Iris? **Zinck:** Correct. **Dunham:** Correct, and if it doesn't pass, then can we try again with the alternate version? **Newkirk:** Absolutely. Does that answer your question, Rich? **Mastin:** Yes. **Newkirk:** Any further debate? OK, so I guess this may be a little controversial, so I will call for the vote. All those in favor of this proposal, please raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Newkirk: Doesn't look as controversial as I thought. The yes votes are George Eigenhauser, Rachel Anger, Pam DelaBar, Cathy Dunham, Cyndy Byrd, Carol Krzanowski, Kathy Calhoun, Kenny Currle, Rich Mastin, Steve McCullough, Howard Webster, Melanie Morgan, John Colilla, Pam Moser, Brian Moser and Sharon Roy. If you will take your hands down. I think that's pretty much everybody but I'll call for the no votes. The no votes are Kenny Currle and Howard Webster. **Currle:** I'm a yes. **Newkirk:** Are you a yes or a no, Howard? **Webster:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK, so Howard – **Hayata:** Yukiko-san is a yes please. **Newkirk:** Alright, any abstentions? So, there are no no votes, is that correct? **Anger:** That's correct. 17 yes, zero no, zero abstain. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much for announcing the vote, Rachel.

Time Frame:

Ongoing

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

Statistical overview of entry trends (if not ready for Feb. meeting)

Report on progress of Garden State show

Schedule of additional planned shows

*Respectfully Submitted,
Iris Zinck, Chair*

Newkirk: Iris, do you have anything else? **Zinck:** No, just thank you very, very much.
Newkirk: You're welcome, you're welcome. So you will strike out that alternate version?
Zinck: We certainly will. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you very much. We appreciate your time.
Thanks for coming in today, to do your committee report. I appreciate that. **Zinck:** I was here anyway. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal.

(27) **CAT WRITERS' ASSOCIATION SPONSORSHIP.**

Board Action Item:

That CFA renew our existing sponsorship of \$500 for the President's Award and \$1,000 as a general sponsorship contribution.

Time Frame:

Immediate. Thank you for your consideration.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Anger, Secretary*

Withdrawn [moved to Budget review].

(28) MODERNIZATION STEERING COMMITTEE.

Committee Chair: LeAnn Rupy
Liaison to Board: LeAnn Rupy / Gavin Cao
List of Committee Members: Gavin Cao, Lorna Friemoth, Jim Charles, Dennis Ganoe, Richard Kallmeyer, Karen Godwin, (2 additional TBD)

Committee Purpose is to identify areas where CFA could/should be modifying systems, policies and business practices that would help transition our organization to a more 21st Century relevant organization

As a 'Steering Committee' we recognize that many areas of modernization cannot be done from our positions but we can provide a framework for change and assist in implementation, documentation, training and adoption of new technology, processes and strategies.

Our committee will present projects classified into two categories: Core Business or Support Services.

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

At the last meeting a brief summary was presented of the investigation into the EMS coding system being used in other organizations. At the September meeting we had agreed to provide an update of information gathering in January. This process is ongoing with a desire to understand if and how CFA might benefit from adopting the utilization of EMS codes within our current or future systems as a means to better communicate with other global organizations. Expediting registrations and accepting pedigrees from other organizations is only one of the potential benefits.

Confidentiality agreements signed and submitted to CFA

Current Happenings of Committee:

- *Information gathering to better understand current 'In Work' projects*
- *Experimenting with potential video Streaming from the show hall*
- *People's Choice Awards submitted online at shows*
- *Virtual Library*

Future Projections for Committee:

The committee needs to invest time with the staff of the corporate office to create a process map of the current registration process. This can be used as a reference when proposals are made for improvements to our current process as well as to help the new and existing breeder/exhibitors better understand the CFA registration process.

The committee would like to compile a list of all 'work in progress' transition items. There are many activities currently in progress which overlap. Having a living reference for current tasks will help prevent overlap of efforts by those volunteering their time to assist.

Always keeping focus on CFA's core business, while working on improvements that can be accomplished in the short term, the team wants to evaluate the current strategic plan and look at the organizations future, ten years out. The goal is not only to remain relevant in the world over the next decades but set the organization up to remain a leader. By being an early adopter of technology and being flexible to try new things is essential. Our competitors are building organizations on modern platforms and attracting new exhibitors that are more tech savvy. If we are not willing to change, we will soon find ourselves in the same position of companies like Kodak – being the leader of the industry only a few decades ago but a name that no longer has brand recognition with millennials. If this is not the company we want to keep, we need to keep focused on where we want to be positioned in the next decade.

This committee is still in need of volunteers who are willing to donate time and energy to the future of CFA. Please reach out if you are willing to contribute.

Board Action Items:

None at this time

What Will be Presented at the Next Meeting:

- *Additional details for projects on the attached list.*
- *Additional projects submitted for consideration.*

*Respectfully Submitted,
LeAnn Rupy, Chair*

Newkirk: Our next Order of Business is #28, and that's the Modernization Steering Committee. LeAnn Rupy – you know what? I didn't let LeAnn know that may be on. I thought of Iris but I didn't – **Tartaglia:** Somebody in the audience, does anyone know who Meta Star is? They have got their hand raised. Is that a person? **Newkirk:** Can you type in the chat box who you are? LeAnn was on earlier today. **Meta Star:** Hi, I'm Helen Mitchell at Meta Star Cattery. **Tartaglia:** OK, alright. We thought you might be somebody else. Thank you. **Meta Star:** I'm sorry. **Tartaglia:** That's OK. **Newkirk:** So, LeAnn is not in right now? Is that correct? **Tartaglia:** Not that I can see. **Newkirk:** Alright, then we'll just leave that until tomorrow then. Is that OK with you, Rich? **Mastin:** Yes, Darrell.

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[From end of Sunday Open Session] **Newkirk:** We only have one other item of business here, and that is the Modernization Steering Committee. I sent LeAnn an email this morning and just sent her a text. I didn't see her. I'm the liaison for this committee. Scroll down to see if there's any action items. Gavin, do you want to add anything on the WeChat App? **Cao:** As I was explaining yesterday to the board, right now we're integrating web services and we will do some testing. We expect a demo for the March board meeting. **Newkirk:** Alright, great deal. I think everybody else has read the report. It's pretty self-explanatory. I'm sorry LeAnn is not here to address any concerns or anything, but we'll catch up with her in April.

Newkirk: Do we have any other business to conduct in open session? **DelaBar:** On the Modernization Committee, the last time that we talked about this, and we're bringing up EMS, I got the feeling that – LeAnn and I and the others in the Modernization Committee had decided that EMS coding would go best under the Modernization Committee. I guess what I'm asking is your blessing to do this. **Newkirk:** You want to merge the two committees? Is that what you are saying? **DelaBar:** Yes, I do. I think that's exactly where it belongs. **Newkirk:** OK, so you would like – you want to change the name and just say "Modernization Steering and EMS Coding Committee"? Do you want to combine them? **DelaBar:** It's actually just part of what is being considered and worked on under the Modernization Committee, so it could be absorbed. I don't have any ownership on this. No problems with doing that. **Newkirk:** OK, so then, we can eliminate your special committee and it can just be taken up by the Modernization Steering Committee. Are you OK with that? **DelaBar:** Yes, and if I can – LeAnn is fine with me being a member of her committee and I am glad to be on it. **Newkirk:** That's great. Anything that we can do to make things streamlined, we're better for it. So Rachel, you will update that portion of the committee chairs? **Anger:** I will take care of it. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you so much.

Appointment of CFA Standing Committee Chairs				
CFA Modernization Steering Committee*	Leann Rupy		Darrell Newkirk	leann@composercat.com
*Note: In February 2021, this Committee absorbed the EMS Coding Committee.				

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Newkirk: Is there any other issues that we need to bring up in open session before we adjourn the open session meeting? **Currle:** I would just like to end it by thanking – and I am sure you agree – all the volunteers that we have working for CFA, in concert with the elected board. I think they deserve a lot of recognition that keeps our organization going. **Newkirk:** I agree with you, Kenny. I think the board worked very, very well this weekend. I was very pleased with everybody's participation. Everybody kept their cool, nobody lost their cool. We had some controversial things to talk about, and we got that handled. We got a lot of work accomplished this weekend. We've got to come back into executive session. Do you want to have a lunch break right now, before we come back into executive session? Who was no? **Webster:** Howard. **Newkirk:** OK, is there anybody else that objects to breaking for lunch right now? **Eigenhauser:** It's 9 in the morning my time, as well. Maybe we could just take a short break and resume, and maybe be done in time for my lunch. **Roy:** I agree. We don't really need much of a lunch break at this point. It's only 12:30 here. **Newkirk:** Let's take a 20 minute break. **DelaBar:** I was just going to say, I don't know if Hayata-san has had dinner yet. My dinner, I couldn't have at 4:00 in the afternoon. It's now going on 8:00 here. By the time we get done it's 10:00. I would like to have dinner. **Eigenhauser:** Can we make it a short dinner? **DelaBar:** I've still got to cook it, but whatever. I mean, I get up at 2:00 in the morning for 3:00 in the morning board meetings anyway, so I guess that I am not svelte enough to worry about missing dinner. **P. Moser:** I was just going to say, I agree with George. **Newkirk:** OK, a 30 minute break OK with everybody? **DelaBar:** If I'm the only person, then go with the short one. **Newkirk:** OK. Alright, so in 30

minutes, let's do 10:00 my time, 1:00 east time. That's 35 minutes. Is that OK? **Currle:** Sounds good. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal. Hayata-san, remember in 35 minutes, executive session, OK? **Hayata:** OK. **Newkirk:** So, the meeting will stand adjourned and we will reconvene in 35 minutes for closed session. Thank you everybody.

Unfinished Business and General Orders

Newkirk: Do you want to take on #29, #30 and #31? **Mastin:** If we have time, yes. I motion that we – **Newkirk:** It's not 5:00 your time, and it's early here. **Mastin:** Yes, and we're not supposed to adjourn until 5:30. **Newkirk:** OK, then do you want to make a motion to suspend the rules and take up Orders #29, #30 and #31? **Mastin:** Yes, sir. **Eigenhauser:** George seconds. **Newkirk:** OK George, thank you very much. So, the motion is to suspend the rules and take up Business Orders #29, #30 and #31. Is there any discussion on that?

Colilla: I have something that I think is New Business. It could be Old Business. I'm not sure whether I should do it now or not. **Newkirk:** Well, I know. We've got to approve the motion to take up the Orders of Business and then you can ask at that point in time, OK? **Colilla:** OK, thank you. **Newkirk:** Thank you, John. Iris, I'm going to put you back over as an attendee because I can't see everybody. **Zinck:** That's fine. **Newkirk:** Thank you Iris.

Newkirk: Alright, so the motion is to suspend the rules and take up Business Orders #29, #30 and #31. Is there any objection to the motion to suspend the rules? Hearing no objection, the rules are suspended and we will take up Business Orders #29, #30 and #31.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

(29) UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Newkirk: OK, Business Order #29 is Unfinished Business. Do we have any Unfinished Business to conduct? John, yours is New Business, is that right? **Colilla:** Well, I don't know if it's new or old. It involves the Pittsburgh Pet Expo. They contacted me. We were supposed to put that on last year but because of COVID-19 it was cancelled. They called me this week and said if we are interested or not. **Newkirk:** OK. Well, let's make that New Business, OK? We will get to it in just a minute. **Colilla:** No problem. **Newkirk:** OK, no Unfinished Business.

(30) **OTHER COMMITTEES.**

Newkirk: Are there any Other Committee reports that we have not heard that need to be addressed? **Anger:** There should be. **Newkirk:** OK.

(a) **Animal Rescue.**

Committee Chair:	Charlene Campbell	
Liaison to Board:	Steve McCullough	Breeders Assistance
List of Committee Members:	Linda Berg	President CFA BAP-BRP
	Cyndy Byrd	Treasurer
	Nancy Hitzeman	Food Pantry
	Jan Rogers	Acting Breed Rescue/Int'l.
		Liaison

Brief Summation of Immediate Past Committee Activities:

Liability Insurance renewal purchase –Administrative expense for CFA BAP-BRP.

We been very active working 26 cases across the country. 2 cases were large seizures of felines by Animal Control Agencies. Overview: We had some breeders pass away, some go into long term care facilities, and other lose their spouse and needed to down size. We had some breeders lose employment and a couple of long illnesses. Our new Coordinators did an amazing job getting up to speed.

Below are the preliminary expenses/income over a 11 month period. We cannot thank CFA enough for your ongoing monthly support. It helps many felines.

Expenses by region, charts below. We need the Regions to encourage those who can to help donate to fund the work.

<i>Region</i>	<i>Donations</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Food</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Vetting</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>\$3,591.74</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>\$1,260.00</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>\$2,790.00</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>\$1,544.20</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>\$9,624.37</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>\$2,300.00</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>\$2,748.39</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>\$7,034.55</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>\$2,140.02</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>\$1,490.73</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>\$2,054.79</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>\$544.63</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>\$6,925.71</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>\$1,370.00</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>\$1,913.01</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>\$8,516.29</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>\$690.25</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>\$3,590.08</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>\$3,775.18</i>
<i>JA -Other</i>	<i>\$389.04</i>				
	<i>\$15,325.84</i>		<i>\$11,831.04</i>		<i>\$37,136.10</i>

Current Happenings of Committee:

We have had to use one of our CD's as we ran short on funds during this pandemic.

We have not used our International Disaster Relief Program; Jan Rogers is the liaison. We have \$22,570.66 roped off for International Disaster Relief.

We currently have new Coordinators for every Region who are working very hard to lead the mechanics of the Breed Assist and Breed Rescue Program.

To email a coordinator below, remove the space after the @ sign.

Cyndy Byrd, CA our new CFA BAP-BRP Treasurer! Contact Cyndy Byrd, chelrose@earthlink.net 1392 Robert Court, Brea, CA 92821, phone 714-671-2802.

Region 1 has added a new helper for Julie Keyer, Denise Mangold denise.mangold@oracle.com Welcome!!!

Region 2 Coordinator Judy Ganoe, Judy.Ganoe@ comcast.net

Region 3 Steve McCullough, Chair, cfabreederassistance@ gmail.com , Jan Rogers birjanji@embarqmail.com

Region 4 Lynn Cochran cccfacoord@ gmail.com

Region 5 have a volunteer Volunteer Mary Barber mary.a223@ yahoo.com who will assist for the present time.

Region 6 Allene Keating, Breeders Assist ekeating@centurylink.net and Tamara Sender, Breed Rescue, TamaraS.BAP@ gmail.com .

Region 7 Susan Pyles susan.pyles15@gmail.com

If any of our Cat Fanciers find themselves in need, contact any of us at BAP, Steve McCullough, Chair, cfabreederassistance@ gmail.com , Jan Rogers birjanji@embarqmail.com ,Region 3, Linda Berg oakheaven@ aol.com or Charlene Campbell jcampb4244@ aol.com (cell #239-810-3424), (remove the space after @). Any of the BAP National Coordinators or Board Members above will get your confidential request processed.

Future Projections for Committee:

We are still looking to get our new logo and Facebook account set up to share adoptable cats, post informative articles, we need to find a volunteer in this area. We have a volunteer who will work on some of our forms. Our Breeders Assist Food & Emergency Vet Care Forms needs some tweaking; we need to make sure we are being the best stewards the funds.

If a breeder who receives BAP funding, continues to show and breed felines, we need to clarify that this program is usually a one time assist, and they need to pay the program back for their assistance as soon as they get back on their feet. We have had a few repeat clients and this has become a concern for our Coordinators as they worry about cattery sustainability.

We need to work on housekeeping of our informational handouts to keep it current and relevant as our post pandemic show season starts. We have all of our contact email addresses on the CFA site updated and the important information updated.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Charlene Campbell
Animal Welfare Chair*

McCullough: My committee report was submitted an hour late, so it didn't make the agenda. It's Animal Welfare. **Newkirk:** OK, let me ask you something. Do you have any action items? **McCullough:** No. All I want to say, read it over and if you have any questions, let me know. Thank you. **Newkirk:** Steve, if you will pass on to Charlene thanks for submitting the report. We appreciate that.

Newkirk: Any other committee reports that we have not addressed?

(31) **NEW BUSINESS.**

Newkirk: Let's go to New Business. Since I pre-noticed the Genetics Advisory Committee, I'll go first and then Pam, then John, we will get to you, since we had two items already listed.

(a) **Genetics Committee Appointment.**

Newkirk: I would like for the board to approve Carol Johnson, DMV, to head up a Genetics Advisory Committee. It's something that we really need. After going through some of the breed council ballots, they need a resource person for genetics. Rachel handles a lot of the genetics colors and stuff that come in at Central Office, and this is not meant to replace her, but if she has a question that she doesn't know, then she will have a go-to person, to ask those questions on genetic colors. First of all, I contacted Heather Lorimer, who most of you know. Heather has done a lot of work for us in the past. She has had duties added to her roster at TICA and she didn't have time. Then, I got a FaceBook Messenger post from Lorraine Shelton suggesting that I contact Carol Johnson, DVM. I believe she is the American Shorthair Breed Council Secretary, so I gave her a call to ask her if she was interested, and she is very interested. I would hope that someone on the board will make that motion for me, and that we can approve that committee. **Mastin:** Rich will make the motion. **DelaBar:** DelaBar seconds. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you Rich and Pam. Is there any discussion? I guess Howard Webster probably knows Carol better than anyone. Howard, do you want to make any comments? **Webster:** Yes. I think she would be excellent for this. She has done a lot of genetics, especially on the American Shorthair. She is a good person for that. **Newkirk:** When I talked to her, she said, "well, I've got quite a few gene samples," and I said, "We're primarily interested to make sure that we don't get any colors or potential color name changes that are not in line with current genetic principles." She said, "Do I have to attend the meeting on Sunday?" I said no, you don't have to, we've got that all covered this time. But, I did send a note to Teresa and Jacqui that I was going to make this proposal today. Anyway, does anyone else have any comments? **Byrd:** Just what Howard said. She is a great choice. **Newkirk:** OK, fantastic. I see Lorna says, "Carol taught me genetics when I was a young teenager. She is brilliant and able to speak about them at any educational level." I don't see the rest of it because I don't have the chat box up. Anyway, I think Carol will be a really good addition to our panel of committee appointments. Rich and – I don't know who made the second. **Eigenhauser:** It was Pam. **Newkirk:** Is there any other discussion on that committee appointment? I understand it takes 2/3 vote, since this was not prenoticed. Is there any objection to appointing Carol Johnson, DVM, as our Genetics Advisory Chair? If you don't object, I will pass it by unanimous consent. Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, Carol Johnson, DVM, will be head of our Genetics Advisory Committee.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Appointment of CFA Standing Committee Chairs				
Genetics Advisory Committee	Carol Johnson, DVM		Darrell Newkirk	carol.w.johnson@gmail.com

Anger: Can I ask a question about the new committee? **Newkirk:** Sure. **Anger:** What category would you like to put that under? Would that be a Special Committee or a Standing Committee? **Newkirk:** It's a Standing Committee. **Anger:** Standing Committee, thank you. I will add it. **Newkirk:** Standing Committees stay in perpetuity. Thank you Rachel, for asking that clarification. **Anger:** Thank you.

(b) In-Conjunction Request.

Action Item: *For their show on May 29-30, 2021 in La Seyne sur Mer, France (Region 9), grant the Cat-H-Art club permission to hold an in-conjunction show with LOOF club Association Féline Méditerranéenne on the condition that the club be informed that they should comply with the Guidelines (and enclose a copy with our approval).*

Newkirk: Pam, did you have anything in open session that you wanted to bring up under New Business, or is all your stuff under closed session for Sunday? **DelaBar:** All is under closed session. **Newkirk:** OK, great. **DelaBar:** Rachel, did you have something for New Business? **Anger:** I do, thank you. **Newkirk:** You are recognized for your item of New Business. **Anger:** Thank you. I have a motion [reads]. I would like to also note that they will be having 50% guest judges, but that's already approved in our rules for the COVID times. **Currie:** Kenny seconds. **Newkirk:** Thank you Kenny for the second. Is there any discussion on the motion for May 29/30, 2021 – is that the correct date? **Anger:** Yes. I would just like to say that they have given us lots and lots of notice, which is a wonderful change in procedure. I am very proud of them. **Newkirk:** Yes, that's great, they are hard-working guys, so that's great. **DelaBar:** The only thing I wanted to say is that the 50% guest judge for Region 9 only went through the end of April. To allow that for May would have to be another motion. It was just for this show season. **Anger:** Great. I checked that out before I made the motion, so we will go ahead and vote on the in-conjunction issue, and then I'll do a second motion. **Newkirk:** Good deal. Alright, we have one motion, one coming up. Any discussion on approving Cat-H-Art's in-conjunction show May 29/30, 2021? Any discussion? Is there any objection? Hearing no objection, by unanimous consent, the in-conjunction show is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Action Item: ~~*Cat H Art be granted permission to invite 50% of Guest Judges for their May 29-30, 2021 in La Seyne sur Mer, France (Region 9).*~~

[Originally from September 1, 2020 minutes]

Action Item: *With the exception of Regions 1-7, due to extensive travel restrictions around the globe, effective immediately and until further notice by the board, waive the requirements stated in Show Rule 3.13 and allow CFA clubs to contract up to 50 percent guest judges per show.*

Newkirk: OK, Rachel? **Anger:** I would like to move that Cat-H-Art is granted permission to invite 50% guest judges for this occasion, their May 29-30, 2021 in La Seyne sur Mer, France. I just like to say that a lot. **Newkirk:** Your French is excellent. We have a motion to grant 50% guest judges at the show we just approved. **Currie:** Kenny will second that, as well. **Newkirk:** OK. Kenny thank you very much. Is there any discussion? **Eigenhauser:** I don't oppose this, but wouldn't it be better if we just passed it for another block of time until we think

the COVID crisis has gone away a bit? Do we have to do this for each and every show, or can't we just say, "from now until further notice by the board, we're waiving that rule," just like we did for this season. **Anger:** I will amend my motion to say what George just said. **Currie:** I'll second it again, yes. **DelaBar:** Just to let you know, there are no CFA judges in France, so hopefully they will be able to draw in judges from either Belgium or Germany to be able to fill this right now. **Newkirk:** Do we know what the CFA show format is, Rachel? **Anger:** No, that wasn't stated in the request. **DelaBar:** It probably is two rings. It usually is, although it may go to four. I'm not quite sure yet. **Newkirk:** Sounds good. So, our motion is – is this for Region 9 only, this motion, George? **Anger:** System-wide. **Eigenhauser:** System-wide. Whatever waiver we did for this year, we should continue that in effect until we end it. **Newkirk:** I thought I heard Pam say, in Europe we already agreed to do 50% but Rachel said it expired, so I just want to make sure that we've got our bases covered. **Eigenhauser:** Whatever it is, my motion is to extend it indefinitely until further order of the board. **Newkirk:** OK. Rachel, you'll research what areas that applies to and make it into a motion, OK? **Anger:** I will do exactly that. **Newkirk:** OK, fantastic. **DelaBar:** It was just for Region 9, if I remember correctly, when I brought this up. I'm sure you will find the right answer. **Eigenhauser:** That was my supposition, too, but whatever Rachel finds to be the correct answer, that's what I'm going with. **Newkirk:** OK. Alright, so, any comments? Any objections to the extension indefinitely until further notice about 50% guest judges, to whichever area it applies to, that Rachel will put in the motion? OK, I see no objections. By unanimous consent, George's motion is approved.

The motion is ratified by unanimous consent.

Anger: Thank you. **Newkirk:** Tell them great work, and we look forward to them having a successful show in France.

(c) Pittsburgh Pet Expo.

Newkirk: John Colilla, you are recognized. **Colilla:** Thank you. The Pittsburgh Expo person contacted me and said, are we interested in putting on a pet show there. Him and I work along quite well. I don't know whether you guys want me to continue to work with him or not. Second is the financial part. I have no idea what it is yet. He is going to contact me next month. Third is, I don't think the Region can afford to take a chance on it and I thought CFA may be interested in it. I need some answers so I can communicate with him what to expect.

Eigenhauser: If you can come back with a budget or some sort of an understanding of what kind of financial commitment we've been talking about, maybe we could move around a little bit of our sponsorship money or something to help sweeten it for the Region a little bit. I don't necessarily want CFA to get in the business of producing more retail cat shows, but I do think we should support this. So, if you can come back with a budget, maybe we can help you out.

Newkirk: Are you OK with that, John? **Mastin:** John, can you provide us with some details, in addition to the budget that George is talking about? What are the dates? What are the expectations of CFA putting on a show? They may have changed since you last did it, and we would need all that information. **Colilla:** I don't have the information yet. He is going to call me next Monday. I probably will be sending out emails as I get answers from him because this is an ongoing thing. I cannot wait for a board meeting. I'm just giving you guys a head's up. **Mastin:** Do you know when it is, John? **Colilla:** No idea yet. It will be in November. That's all I know. **Mastin:** Oh, November, OK. **Colilla:** Yes, sir. **Newkirk:** Any other items of New Business?

Anger: Back to John's issue, we do have board meetings scheduled virtually every two weeks for emergency purposes, so it's not like you would have to wait until June. I think if John can put together a proposal, I for one would like to see it written up, rather than ad hoc through a bunch of emails. **Colilla:** That would be fine with me, thank you. **Newkirk:** If it's going to take you a couple of weeks, maybe we can have it at the March meeting, if we need a March meeting.

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Newkirk: I want to extend an apology to Kathy Calhoun, because when she requested early this morning, I made the statement that I had notified all the committees and I did not notify LeAnn Rupy. I take responsibility for that. I am sorry Kathy. I didn't meant to lie to you. When I looked at the Committee and I saw that it was blank, I didn't recognize that I hadn't notified LeAnn Rupy. **Calhoun:** It's a honest mistake. **Newkirk:** We'll take that up after the Breeds and Standards Committee report tomorrow. Basically, when we meet tomorrow, it will be Breeds and Standards, and then the Modernization Steering Committee. We have covered all the other issues on our Orders. Anyone else have anything to say before we adjourn the meeting today?

[**Secretary's Note:** The following discussion, as well as numerous Business Orders from the Sunday agenda, were addressed on Saturday. Therefore, while this discussion appears in the Sunday section, it was discussed at the close of the Saturday board meeting.]

Newkirk: We need to decide if we're going to meet an hour early. **Mastin:** I would like to ask the board to consider meeting at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time, which would be 7:00 a.m. Pacific Time. Pam, I'm sorry, I don't know what that would be in your time, nor do I know what it would be in China time. **DelaBar:** It would be earlier for Japan, but that would be 5:00 in the evening for me. **Newkirk:** Let's take care of this, if we're going to meet an hour earlier tomorrow. **Eigenhauser:** Do we have enough to keep us busy if the Breed Council Secretaries don't get the message and don't show up an hour earlier with the rest of us? We're starting with Breeds and Standards. We invite the Breed Council Secretaries to speak. We should notify all of them, if we're going to be an hour early. **Newkirk:** That does pose a problem. **Eigenhauser:** Plus, I hate getting up early. **Calhoun:** Could we possibly, if we reached LeAnn, start with LeAnn and then we have several Breed Council Secretaries on the board. I'm in favor of starting an hour earlier. **Newkirk:** We could put out a News release. I can post it on Next Gen. **Tartaglia:** I can post it on CFA-News, as well. **Calhoun:** The other thing, if in fact we wanted to, we have a couple of executive session items that need to be discussed, as well. I think there will be things that we can talk about. **Newkirk:** There would be, but if we start with executive session, then we've got to adjourn that, come back to the webinar and then after that's done, we have to come back to another meeting in closed session. That was the problem with the protest thing here that we didn't know how we were going to handle, so we let that sort of go. I guess what we could do, I can get ahold of Teresa and Jacqui. I am sure they would be willing to come in an hour early. **Currie:** Teresa is an attendee. **Newkirk:** Who is speaking? **Currie:** Teresa is an attendee, so she is hearing exactly what you're saying. I'll call Jacqui. **Newkirk:** OK, good deal. Then, what I would suggest, we will do the breeds for the Breed Council Secretaries that show up. If we get to one that's not there, then we'll just go to the next breed, and then go back when that person – there's probably a Breed Council Secretaries' email list, isn't there? **Anger:** Yes. **Newkirk:** OK, then probably Jacqui or Teresa could send an email out to them that the

board meeting is going to start an hour early. We'll try to get everyone notified, OK? **P. Moser:** I do know that the Breed Council Secretary for the Burmilla breed does want to attend, so it would be very important to get in touch with her, and that's Stephanie Mohr. **Newkirk:** I know who it is. I've been in several discussions with her over her ballot. I will tell her that we're going to start an hour early. **DelaBar:** We really don't have all that many breeds that had 60% vote on many items. It shouldn't take all that long. **Anger:** Do we need to vote on Rich's motion? **Newkirk:** Yes. **Currle:** I second Rich's motion. **Newkirk:** It has already been seconded, Kenny. **Currle:** That's good. **Newkirk:** Please raise your hand when you're going to talk, OK? That way I can keep track of everybody. **McCullough:** I just called Jacqui. She is OK with it. **Newkirk:** OK, thank you so much. Any other discussion about starting the meeting an hour early tomorrow? OK, I'm going to call the vote. All those in favor of starting at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time tomorrow for the board meeting, please raise your hand.

Newkirk called the motion. **Motion Carried.** Eigenhauser voting no. Anger abstained.

Newkirk: The yes votes are Melanie Morgan, Sharon Roy, Cyndy Byrd, John Colilla, Rich Mastin, Kenny Currle, Brian Moser, Pam DelaBar, Cathy Dunham, Kathy Calhoun, Carol Krzanowski, Yukiko Hayata, Howard Webster, Pam Moser, Steve McCullough. If you will lower your hands, and George if you will raise your hand with your no vote. Any abstentions? Rachel abstains. Do you want to announce the vote, Rachel? **Anger:** We had 15 yes votes, 1 no vote, 1 abstention. **Newkirk:** Thank you very much, Rachel.

Newkirk: Any other new items of business before we adjourn? OK, see everybody at 7:00 a.m. my time, 10:00 east coast time, and 5 in the afternoon your time, Pam. Hayata-san, I don't know what time it is in Japan tomorrow at that time, but we will see you then. Thanks everybody. Thanks everyone for all the hard work today. We got a lot accomplished in a lot quicker time span than I thought we would. Congratulations to all you guys for your excellent participation. I really appreciate it. The meeting stands adjourned until tomorrow morning at 7 a.m. Pacific Time and 10:00 a.m. east coast time.

[Saturday] meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

(32) **WORLD ORGANISATION OF CATS APPLICATION.**

In an executive session discussion, **Ms. DelaBar** moved to accept the application of World Organisation of Cats (“WOC”) for pedigree reciprocity and for CFA judges to guest judge for WOC. Seconded by **Ms. Anger**, **Motion Carried.**



World Organisation of Cats (WOC) Recognition

At the February 6/7, 2021 CFA Executive Board meeting, the Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc., granted recognition to the World Organisation of Cats (WOC), headquartered in Vienna, Austria.

This recognition includes acceptance of WOC pedigrees and allows CFA judges to officiate as guest judges for WOC. We look forward to future endeavors and relationships with World Organisation of Cats, to promote beautiful pedigreed cats worldwide.

(33) **INTERNATIONAL DIVISION.**

Withdrawn.

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Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Anger, CFA Secretary

(34) DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS AND SUSPENSIONS.

Disciplinary Hearings And Suspensions: Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to the Board. The following case was heard, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the parties, and no appeal and/or appeal fee was filed. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

Appeals: Cases that have been reviewed by the Protest Committee and for which a recommendation was presented to and heard by the Board, a tentative decision was rendered, timely notice was given to the party, an appeal and/or appeal fee was timely filed, and the appeal was heard by the Board of Directors. Therefore, final disposition is as follows:

None

Board-Cited Hearing: The Board may consider any protest filed by any member of a member club or in any other manner brought to the attention of the Executive Board. The Board may delegate authority to one or more persons to review, investigate, and determine if probable cause exists for the filing of a formal protest. This case was heard on direct cite by the CFA Executive Board. Timely notice was given to the parties, and the matter was heard. Final disposition is as follows:

**20-008-1230 CFA v. Abdallah Sami Bin Abddallah
CFA v. Abdullah Faidi**

Violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4(b), 4(c), 4(e) and 4(g)

GUILTY of violation of CFA Constitution, Article XV, Section 4(b), 4(c), 4(e) and 4(g). Sentence of permanent suspension from all CFA services. Further, the registration of Litters F4214199 and F4214200 are voided. Previously, a registration deemed to be fraudulent was returned to the original owner's name.
[vote sealed]